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THE FRONT PAGE

No Time for Decontrol

IN THE heat of the discussion, both here and in the United States, as to whether certain great loans should or should not be made to the United Kingdom, little attention seems to have been paid to the fact that if made they will have very far-reaching effects upon the internal economy of each of the lending countries. The general nature of that effect may be best described by saying that it involves a heavy continuation of war expenditure into the next two years, with the accompanying need for wartime increases either in taxation or in indebtedness or in both.

The need of Great Britain for these loans is entirely the result of wartime strains which have vastly reduced her capacity to pay for imports. It is desired to sustain that capacity by these artificial means until it can be restored by more natural methods. But in the lending countries the loans will necessitate the acquisition by the governments of the funds which it is proposed to transfer to Great Britain, and these funds will be mainly if not wholly acquired by the sale of bonds to private purchasers-individuals, corporations and banks.

These bonds must be not only sold; they must be kept in the hands of the public during their entire lifetime. If, as is likely, they are at first in short-term form, they will have to be resold at each maturity, until the British eventually make repayment.

But as in the case of the direct war loans, the proceeds of these issues will be entirely spent within the Dominion of Canada; they will go in the form of Canadian dollars to Canadian producers of the Canadian goods which will be sent to Great Britain. (That a proportion of them will probably be spent in the States makes little difference, since that is what happens in any event to a good part of the proceeds of Canada's export trade.) Any tendency on the part of these dollars to remain in circulation instead of going back to the government in payment for bonds, and any tendency on the part of the bonds to be used as a basis for bank credit, will be extremely inflationary, and the same methods of combatting inflation will have to be resorted to as were used during the war loan issues.

It seems to us that this will necessitate a continuance of nearly all of the controls which have been employed during the war. The necessity of exporting a huge quantity of goods to Great Britain will have the same effect in shortening the supply on the domestic market as the necessity of servicing the war machine. The whole situation, indeed, means a continuance of war conditions without the psychological support supplied by the war itself with its dangers. The same situation will exist in the United States, but will be somewhat less serious because the American loan is smaller in proportion to the size of the economy. The psychological condition of the general public in both countries is not favorable to the effort to stave off inflation. The sense of effort and self-denial is gravely relaxed, and there is a general disposition on the part of every economic class to demand the largest possible share of the total product a competition which, if unchecked, can only result in a most dangerous pushing up of the whole price structure.

Playing Politics

THERE is a good deal of politics-playing about the proceedings of the Dominionprovincial conference, and this naturally has not diminished as the proceedings have become more public. Mr. King lost no chance of holding up rosy visions of reduced taxes, which became more and more glamorous as it became more and more likely that the conference would fail; and indeed towards the end one got the



"Freedom from Fear" . . . The setting sun over the River Thames transforms the water into a flow of silver, a peaceful scene, expressing that release from terror and new feeling of security which Britain and most of the world have enjoyed since the war ended on May 8, 1945, a little less than a year ago.

impression that Ottawa might be slightly embarrassed if the conference did not fail, since no really generous reduction of the tax burden will be possible anyhow.

The provincialists retaliated with the story that Ottawa was planning to offset the promised reductions with new taxes, includingof all preposterous ideas - a poll tax, which some authorities explicitly placed at ten dollars per head on all persons over sixteen. It is impossible to imagine a proposal more contradictory of every theory on which Canadian taxation is now based. No government in Canada is in the least likely to consider such a measure, and no electorate, we imagine, would

Mr. Claxton immediately denied that Ottawa was contemplating any such thing, but this did not prevent the Globe and Mail from asserting on Tuesday that Mr. King "is actually planning two additional taxes, one to be levied by the Dominion, the other by the provinces." These taxes were described as "three to five per cent

on all income, plus a poll tax." The paper does not suggest which of these is to be a provincial levy, nor how the Dominion proposes to compel the provinces to impose taxes in a form which is its own choice and not theirs.

Mr. Graydon's Views

IN LAST week's issue we credited to Mr. Gordon Graydon some views on the admission of naturalized Canadians to the Civil Service which he assures us he has never expressed and very definitely does not hold. We were led to do so by a newspaper report which appears to have included as part of Mr. Graydon's utterances a few remarks made by a subsequent speaker; at any rate there is no question of Mr. Graydon's freedom from all responsibility for them, since they were supposed to be uttered in Parliament and there is no sign in Hansard of any such expressions as coming from him.

We are delighted to know that the member for Peel does not advocate the exclusion of naturalized Canadians from the Civil Service, and we regret the error which led us to state that he had done so.

A Control Problem

THE task of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board is rapidly becoming much more complex and much more difficult at the very moment when the organization of the Board is being rapidly and steadily depleted of its most able and experienced business men. The increase in the difficulty of the Board's task is unavoidable. The decrease in the staff can be avoided only by one method, and that is to offer a permanent Civil Service career to persons who can be induced to join it. At present members of the organization are getting out and new members are not coming in for the simple reason that the appointments are not permanent, that the job is expected soon to come to an end, and that men of ability want to settle themselves in positions which offer the prospect of a good future.

The W. P. T. B. is under the control of the Minister of Finance. As a branch of his department it has probably no claim to a permanent existence. Nevertheless the prospect of Canada's returning to the pre-war conditions in which there were practically no controls upon the operations of industry and commerce except those of the general statute law is somewhat remote, and it might not be a bad idea to establish, preferably under the Department of Trade and Commerce, an organization to advise the Government on all questions involving interference with trade, and to carry out such interference when authorized to do so.

There seems to be no room for doubt that (Continued on Page Three)

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DEAR MR. EDITOR

The "Canada Day" Bill From Two Contrasting Points of View

Editor, SATURDAY NIGHT:

PRIVATE member's bill, rushed through the House of Commons, rechristens Dominion Day as "Canada Day." Is this measure based on increasing national consciousness earned by the bloody sacrifice of the boys who went overseas? Is it what the people demand, or even want? If the purpose of the sponsors (not actuated by pseudo-patriotism) was to emphasize Canada's growth and maturity, why not have made the name 'Autonomy Day?" Every day for us is, or ought to be, Canada Day.

Dominion Day has been accepted usage for 79 years; a time-honored term. It had a Scriptural background "from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth" and it is musically alliterative.

Surely the Senate which recently withheld, provisionally, assent to the proposed indemnity increase, will delay the final passing of this certainly unnecessary measure until public opinion and sentiment are given opportunity for expression. Hon. Hum-phrey Mitchell pleaded in the House for further consideration but was

In view of present world conditions when Empire Unity is still most important, and considering certain legislative trends, such as relating to citizenship, immigration and the flag isn't there a danger that one of these days we might find ourselves outside

Our Premier's reaction a year back to Lord Halifax's plea for closer cooperation was quite as cool as any American response to Mr. Churchill's recent Fulton speech. Is our inferiority complex (or patriotism) so insistent that "Dominion" gets us down and we demand immediate legislation to free our minds of humiliating implications?

A. J. HAMILTON Kingston, Ont.

A Pro-Canada-Day

Editor, SATURDAY NIGHT:

AM afraid SATURDAY NIGHT I AM afraid SATURDAY Cannot be too sure about the "instinctive clinging to the old and traditional of the common man's feeling about holidays," people who have been calling the first day of July Dominion Day for

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Vol 61, No. 35 Whole No. 2772 almost eighty years are not going to

relish calling it Canada Day."

As a matter of fact most people have not called it Dominion Day but simply "The First," or "First of

July."
"Going anywhere on the First?"
or "What are you doing the First of of expressions.

The idea that Canadians generally are wedded to tradition is piffle, outside a few old fashioned politicians with whom it is a fetish to cling to the old, no matter how inappropriate the reverse is the case.

There is no country anywhere in which the feeling and pride of nationhood has grown more rapidly of recent years, particularly during the war years, than here in Canada. This name "Dominion Day" was merely an official designation not a popular one, and there is no doubt whatever that Canada having attained its majority would like to have that fact recognized.

Some of our politicians wallow in a silly sentimentality that nauseates many of us. Certain ones indeed would have fought furiously for the retention of the old name if it had been "Colonial Day," and indeed would like to have it so even now, being essentially colonially minded.

Let us be sensible and assume not only our responsibilities but our proper titles. "Canada Day" should be the official name, but the great majority will continue as before to simply talk of "The First," or "First of July," having, up till the present, never formed the habit of "Dominion Day." The politicians not the "common man" are the "fussbudgets" over change.

Toronto, Ont. WILLIAM SAVEREN

'Margarine

Editor, SATURDAY NIGHT:

I^N YOUR issue of April 27 you say, "If the soft pronunciation were tolerated it would probably be the only word in the language in which g has that pronunciation when followed by a." How do you pronounce "gaol," and

B. H. BRAMBLE

Fort Erie North, Ont.

Note: We don't spell 'em that way.—Ed.

"Writ Sarcastic"

Editor, SATURDAY NIGHT:

OF LATE this world has been in deep convulsion. The ocean has heaved up new islands; tremendous waves have battered some shores; in certain places the earth has trembled, aurora borealis has been on the rampage and John Bracken, with his henchmen, has gone to Quebec to woo.

Such astonishing events must bear heavily on simple folk and the voice of John Bracken, so nobly raised to proclaim the heartache of his Party at the exclusion of French from the recent ceremonies at Ottawa, must have subjected the good Quebec folk to a most poignant emotion.
Or could it be that "le chat rit dans

sa barbe?" Can all this be attributed to the sunspots?

Indian Head, Sask. FRANCHEVILLE

Intemperate View

Editor SATURDAY NICH

WITH reference to your article on Ontario's Drinking, it is difficult to see how you can hold the view you express regarding the drinking

of liquor in public. You ignore the fact that liquor is terribly habit-forming, and that it is the cause of untold ruin and degradation, whether it is drunk in public or privately. You, at times, in your paper, speak of the need for temperance education. I cannot see how you could successfully teach temperance while still teaching the views you say you hold.

You are one who upholds the cause of oppressed groups. What about the plight of the decent women and men. who have as mates, people who

thought it was respectable to take a drink, but who have become drunkards? What about the children in these homes? What chance have these people of a normal happy life?

These are a group that badly need relief and the help of some one with influence.

London, Ont.

Commonwealth Defence

Editor, SATURDAY NIGHT:

THE recent address by Gen. Crerar on "The Need for Canadian Military Preparation" raises the question of what part Canada is to play in Commonwealth defence. My authors this capacity of the commonwealth of the commonwealth of the capacity thority for writing on this subject lies in the fact that I experienced the defeat in Burma in 1942, assisting in the destruction of the oil industry I had helped for 12 years to develop, losing my home, goods and chattels,—and my household pets.

We learn completely by experience,-and not so much by conquering, which may give the non-professional soldier a wrong perspective, as by defeat which seems to make every cell in one's body think. I learned, firstly, that defeat can only be avoided by constant preparedness, and secondly, that no unit of the Commonwealth can stand alone, but must have the others' instant and full support. Proof of this lies in the fact that although Burma was

lost the delaying action saved India. Imagine, therefore, the over-whelming disillusionment that overcomes me, on returning recently, and finding that Canada is not joining wholeheartedly in the Commonwealth Defence talks.

There are no such things as middle, or independent powers. There are only great powers—and the little ones. Canada, alone, is a little power and in the end would take orders from the big ones. But Canada, strongly in the Commonwealth and acting as a leader therein, is a great power because of the actual and reflected support of the other units, because of the encouragement her support gives them and because of the large number of small powers that would support a really united Commonwealth.

Political leaders in India and Burma have expressed their preference for an association with the British Commonwealth. But, obviously, if Canada withdraws from Defence plans the whole structure cracks and the world set-up becomes unstable. Unless the whole British Commonwealth, as it stood in 1914 and 1939, is maintained as a definitely first-class power the whole world will re-align itself and the outcome could only be the restriction to the Western Hemisphere of the English speaking races,-or war.

Canada must have a defence arrangement with the U.S.A. But if she becomes merely an appendage to that country's defence the "Good Will" or "Tradition" that the Empire Commonwealth and our own dead have built up; namely, that the British Empire and Commonwealth has saved the world and always wins the last battle, will be lost.

W. R. S. HENDERSON, M.B.E. London, Ont.

Full Agreement

Editor, SATURDAY NIGHT:

THANK you for expressing my sentiments, so emphatically, and so publicly in your editorial of April 13. "Let's Keep Dominion Day". London, Ont. W. R. AUSTIN

Correction

TORONTO'S Orthopaedic School, described in article and pictures (Saturday Night's issue of March 16) is not, as the article stated, the only school in Canada with facilities for the education and treatment of crippled children. In Quebec City, L'Ecole Cardinal-Villeneuve, operated by La Ligue de la Jeunesse Feminine de Quebec and L'Ecole Victor Doré in Montreal undertake similar work, while the Ottawa Public School system affords such facilities for the education of crippled children in the city's "Sunshine Class". Special classes of this type operate in connection with the public and separate school systems in most of the larger Canadian cities.

Passing Show

By S. P. TYLER

ON good authority we learn no reflection was intended on the persons of M.P.'s by the statement of the town planning expert that the beautifying of Ottawa presents many ugly

Headline in Toronto paper as final date for payment of income tax is

INCOME TAX OFFICES FLOODED Not the kind of inundation that would do any good.

A teachers' journal mentions that many thousands of Canadian school children have listened to debates in the House of Commons. This confirms the view that school days are among the hardest in a lifetime.

Co-operation

Items from a weekly financial jour-

nal:
"It is doubtful if the Paris conferences will bring peace to the world

"There are a lot of people now getting pianos who never had enough money before."

A columnist doesn't like the way U.N. refers tricky questions to special committees, on the grounds that this kind of procedure did much to destroy the League of Nations. U.N. should appoint a committee to look into this.

It is unlikely that Russia was in the mind of the United Nations delegate when he declared the organization would not be hampered by a lot of red tape.

From an overseas broadcast: "No one will be more pleased when peace comes than those who are trying to draft the treaties." And, from all reports, no one will be more surprised.

A recent court decision confirms the point of law that cows have the rightof-way on a public road. This should remove the suspicion held by many motorists that the beasts are just downright cussed.

In a discussion on meat problems, a farming paper reports "an upward swing of prices on the hoof." But what the consumer is afraid of is an upward swing of the hoof on prices.

Time Saves Money

In many parts of the United States a man's haircut costs \$1 and on Saturdays, \$1.25. If this happens in Canada well, there is always the privilege of free service at any penitentiary.

The housing shortage is having strange repercussions. A native of Nova Scotia has just finished making his own coffin.

A five-year-old Los Angeles girl is reported to have a perfect radio soprano voice. With luck, she may grow

A West African press wire reports the discovery of traces of civilization dating back some 30,000 years. People just couldn't have known any better in those days.

From an Ontario farm comes the story of a cockerel which has taken to laying eggs. Our niece Ettie says that he's positively no gentleman!

Urging the public to fight rising costs, a Toronto speaker declared that even the cost of dying has gone up. We intend to do our bit by resisting this last emergency as long as we jolly well live.





If you don't believe that clothes, accessories and hair-do make the woman, take a look at these photographs of Queen Nefertiti's daughter. The princess's small sculptured head (left above) has stood around for thousands of years in a museum-which must have been rather boring for a girl who was used to the grandiose festivities of the Egyptian Court (18th Dynasty, 1370 B.C.) Helpful photographers therefore gave her a blonde wig (right), which makes her look decidedly human and modern. If she had a body, she might even rate as a glamour girl.





She tries something more fancy (above left) and looks like Josephine Baker in a headdress of rooster's feathers and shawl of gold sequins. Mantilla and flowers (right) make her look decidedly Spanish, but her expression is rather uppish. Perhaps she feels that all these modernisms are silly—and she will remain a bald-headed Egyptian, despite them.

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Ottawa will continue to need the services of a body of able and experienced men with a good knowledge of the workings of practical business for a long time to come. The nature of the interferences will obviously have to be changed when the Dominion ceases to be able to rely on its war powers in the realm of property and civil rights, and it seems to us not impossible that if these powers have to be surrendered before the constitution can be amended a period of chaotic conditions is likely to ensue. It is possible, however, that both public opinion and the judgment of the courts will continue to tolerate a large exercise of interventionary power in business by the Dominion for some time after the end of 1946, on the general ground that "emergency" dangers still

Even if the new permanent Board should find itself for a time without much to do owing to the disappearance of the emergency powers, there is always the tariff and subsidy field as

PHILOSOPHY

HOW do we tame the heart — that rebel Thudding in the side of Man? How reconcile the sword of trouble With beauty's many-tinted bubble, Joy's spreading, peacock-colored fan?

Two things I know - no grief so great But dwindles at earth's loveliness; While Man discovers soon or late That his most-lasting happiness Wells from the springs of tenderness, The warmth that flows from man to man; Rich friendship in shared dream and plan, The light above his spirit's gate.

PAULINE HAVARD

an unquestionable part of the Dominion's activities, and the new authority might possibly be united with the office of the Combines Investigation Commissioner.

The reason for the increase in the complexity and difficulty of the Board's work is simply that it is now compelled to abandon its old rule-of-thumb method of basing prices on those of a certain past date with certain fixed adjustments, and to embark on the unprecedented task of ascertaining the "just price" for every controlled item. Conditions in regard to wages, efficiency of labor, costs of imported or uncontrolled materials, and supply and demand in general have moved so far from those of the base period that the base is no longer relevant. In this situation there are only two logical courses-and the United States is in the act of making up its mind between them. One is to abandon all attempt at controls. The other is to regard controls as a continuing necessity (though perhaps in a more and more limited field) for an indefinite future, and to provide a durable organization for putting them into effect.

Quebec and the Tories

THE problem which faces the Progressive Conservative party in regard to Quebec is pretty well stated by Mr. Clement Brown in an article in his newspaper, Le Temps, of Quebec. In spite of his name, Mr. Brown is a French Canadian. It is obvious from his article that French Canadians who cannot feel satisfied with the Liberal party dislike their present situation of having to act as a purely Quebec bloc, and would prefer to associate themselves with an all-over-Canada party if they could find one in which they could feel at home. The following are the chief paragraphs of Mr. Brown's article:

"Mr. Bracken has called upon Quebec to furnish Canada with a new G. E. Cartier. All right, but can the Conservative leader give us any assurance that English Canada will provide for Quebec a new Sir John A. MacDonald? For one Sir John A. MacDonald, Quebec is in a position to provide Canada with dozens of

"Mr. Bracken is evidently afflicted by the divorce between the voters of Quebec and the Conservative party. His feelings are not hard to understand. If Quebec has dissociated itself from the Conservative leaders, it must be said that it was in pure self-defence. For one 'blue' leader who has held out his hand, how



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many others have held out only a fist? For one 'blue' leader who has consented to accept French Canada with its nationalism, its Catholicism, its traditions, its qualities and its weaknesses, how many others have treated it as a fomenter of disorder as an intolerable burden? For one 'blue' leader who has consented to see in the French Canadians the heirs of the pioneers who built this country, and accept them as associates and brothers, how many others have treated them as pariahs, and ranked them below the least desirable of last year's immigrants?

"Mr. Bracken is grieved at our ill-humor towards his party. Why does he not commence with a clean-up in his own vicinity? Why does he not eliminate from that party those who are the reasons why it appears today unacceptable to the majority of French Canadians?

"Quebec is at the crossing of the ways. The Liberal party no longer satisfies it. It has become for the Quebec voter a pis-aller, a second best, tolerated rather than accepted. Social Credit and its follies, the C. C. F. and its dangerous orientation, are objects of suspicion. The Conservative party has become the refuge of the most tory of the tories. Where will Quebec go? Mr. Bracken would like it to go to him. What guarantee can he give it? The thing which holds it back from him is not so much his imperialism-is Mr. King any more reassuring than his rival on that head?-as the gallophobia of his entourage."

We commend these observations to the serious consideration of the Toronto Telegram.

A Grave Mistake

IN OTTAWA last week Magistrate Glenn Strike, having had the benefit of hearing counsel on both sides, decided that there was not sufficient evidence to commit Dr. David Shugar on the charge of conspiracy, and he was released.

This would be an event of no significance whatever, an entirely normal incident in the process of administering Canadian justice, if it were not that two judges of the Supreme Court, sitting as a Royal Commission, had made public the statement that "We were not impressed by the demeanor of Shugar, or by his denials, which we do not accept. In our view we think he knows more than he was prepared to disclose."

This observation, which would have been perfectly proper in a confidential recommendation to the Crown prosecutor by a police expert skilled in the study of evidence relating to alleged subversive activities, was obviously most unfortunate as part of a public statement made by two judges of the highest court in the land. The prosecution of Dr. Shugar has not merely failed; the magistrate has ruled that there was no ground upon which it could properly be brought.

The lesson of the whole business seems to be that in time of peace the ordinary criminal procedure of Canada should be left to function in the ordinary way, that the importation into

it of special inquisitory tribunals is unnecessary, and that the participation of members of the upper judiciary in such tribunals is a grave mistake.

The Pinch For Taxes

THE whole essence of the Dominion-Provincial taxation difficulty lies in the fact that when the constitution was drafted the share of the national income which was required by the two kinds of sovereign powers. federal and provincial, was so small that neither of them could experience any difficulty in extracting what it required, whereas it is now so large that one or the other of the sovereign powers is bound to feel pinched and very probably both of them will.

The constitution awards to the Dominion the power to raise revenue by any and all methods of taxation. There is no basis for the contention that the Dominion is required to stay out of the tax fields which are allotted to the provinces. The assumption was that both authorities could operate in these flelds without their combined extraction becoming so great as to destroy the incentive to produce the object which is taxed. Even in the field from which the provinces were debarred, namely that of indirect taxation, the reason was not that the field could not bear the burden of two taxes, but that the use of it by the provinces would interfere with the free flow of trade and industry across provincial boundaries — which it certainly would have

The burden of taxation by the two authorities combined has reached its present intensity chiefly as a result of the intervention of the state to redistribute the national income, in two different ways. On the one hand we redistribute a large part of the national income as a recompense to persons (or their successors) who sacrificed purchasing power during two wars by buying bonds. On the other hand we redistribute another large portion by giving it to classes which we suppose to stand in need of it of they are to enjoy a "Canadian" standard of living. Both of these forms of redistribution seem to be inescapable in view of the present nature of our social thinking. If we went completely authoritarian we could abolish the former, and if we went completely laisser-faire we could abolish the latter, but hanging between two opinions we can abolish neither, and can do no more than console ourselves by noting that as the amount of welfare taxation goes up the rate of interest on bonds goes down.

Both of these redistribution processes are carried on by the national authority. In the matter of war finance that is inevitable: in the matter of social welfare it is rendered almost inevitable by the great discrepancy between resources and requirements in different provinces.

Mr. Duplessis in his brief submitted last week to the conference at Ottawa suggested that "it would be possible to loan, and we

insist on the expression 'loan', in return for a just compensation, not only material but even constitutional, certain existing taxation rights of the provinces." This is absurd. The provinces can agree to stay out of certain tax fields, but this would not increase by onethousandth part of a cent the right of the Dominion to collect taxes in those fields. It would merely ensure that the taxable objects would not be subjected to a heavier burden than the Dominion authority considers they can bear, whereas two authorities taxing the same object without joint consideration might easily impose a ruinous burden. The suggestion that in return for this illusory "loan" the Dominion should pay compensation of an "even constitutional" character is distinctly staggering, and leaves one wondering what kind of constitutional powers Mr. Duplessis expects to get in return for his loan and whether he expects to get them in perpetuity or to return them when the loan is redeemed.

Most Heinous Crime

IN CASE some of the admirers of the Soviet system should feel that perhaps the attitude of Canadians, and of the Canadian law, towards persons who are guilty of revealing secret information concerning the national defence to representatives of another country is slightly outmoded, or not in consonance with modern international relations, we feel it desirable to point out that the constitution of the U.S.S.R., Article 133, which expresses the Russian attitude on this subject, is as follows:

"To defend the Fatherland is the sacred duty of every citizen of the U.S.S.R. Treason to the country-violation of the oath of allegiance, desertion to the enemy, impairing the military power of the state, espionage—is punishable with all the severity of the law as the most heinous of crimes."

What Canada is doing to punish those who have been guilty of impairing the military power of the state and of violating both the oath of allegiance and that of secrecy is exactly what Russia would do in the same cir-

More Skilled Mechanics

AT THE recent Canadian Construction Association Convention in Winnipeg, the shortage of skilled mechanics in the construction industry was discussed. It was explained that the shortage was owing to the failure of industry to ensure its own future by taking young boys into their companies and training them in the business. Because the apprenticeship system was used several hundred years ago it does not follow that it is old-fashioned or obsolete. On the contrary, it has stood the test of years because it is based on a fundamental principle—that there must always be new blood to take the place of the old that is continually being discarded. This maintenance and rejuvenation can be secured through technical schools, but that is at best a second best method; nothing will ever take the place of first-hand, on-the-spot knowledge. But we do not need to discuss the advantages of apprenticeship; employers in all branches of industry know its value. Most of them probably were apprentices in their own youth.

Besides having business advantages, there are also strong moral reasons why employers should take the time and comparatively slight trouble to train their own men. Those men who have been fortunate enough to rise to the top of their trade are more or less under a moral obligation to help others in the trade, especially those who are just starting. Again, young boys are more inclined towards apprenticeship because it allows them to earn a wage; too many boys who would otherwise succeed are prevented from learning by the lack of money. Often, even if they do manage to get through a technical school, they are unable to get a job for lack of actual experience. At this point, many boys turn in desperation to crime as a means of keeping the wolf from the door. It is the irony of life that the very men who use inexperience as an excuse for not employing them are often the ones who should see that these boys do get the experience. They say they are too busy to bother with kids, they can't afford the time, kids are a liability at first, and so on. It is time they woke up to the fact that not only are they refusing to take part in the training of Canada's most precious heritage-her youth -but also they unwittingly are slitting their own throats.

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Australia Grows Continental Umbrella of Trees



Australian treefelling frequently leaves an 18-foot butt, as axemen ascend the giant trees on planks to cut only the length of straight timber required by industry.



In Australia, forestry control is a State rather than a Federal matter. In New South Wales, which contains the most valuable timber areas, tractormen secure a tree trunk to snig it through the bush to loading dumps.



Dwarfed by butt ends of coachwood logs, truck drivers share a billy of tea. Picture shows winch gear which can be used for single-handed loading of huge logs.



But even in modern timber production bullock teams have their uses. They can handle and manoeuvre logs where often tractors cannot go.



Cut lumber must often be hauled for long distances to the mills by truck. More road-building is contemplated as part of the forestry plan.

IF AUSTRALIANS look more sunbaked than any other white race, it is probably because they haven't enough trees to shade their own country properly.

Nature's haphazard planning gave them only one acre of forest to every ninety-nine acres of treeless country —lowest percentage in the world. When Nature allocated the world's 7½ billion acres of forests, she was especially niggardly in Australia. Finland, Sweden, Japan and Nigeria have more than half their total area covered by forest. Canada and United States, each comparable in size to Australia, have one-third and one-fourth forest land respectively. Russia has 3,667,500 square miles of forest, almost half the country's Of 28 countries with worthwhile timber supplies, Australia comes last in ratio of forest to total area. As a result, Australian forests look like a box of matches scattered New York's Empire State building.

In a small land this might not be so important, but in a huge territory of 3,000,000 square miles, it has profound effects, industrially, economically and sociologically.

The climatic effect in the dry inland is disastrous. In the hottest localities, the thermometer hovers between 100 and 120 degrees in summer. Rivers, creeks, and dams evaporate at the rate of 90 inches annually, which is faster than the inland yearly rainfall. Good soil, which should be protected and held down by tree roots, is lifted by hurricane winds and carried a thousand miles out to sea.

Forests are needed therefore not only to provide a timber supply, but also to maintain an adequate water supply. Scientists say wooded land will store about 46 times as much

By John Briears

moisture from rain and snow as unforested land of similar composition. The economic link with population has also been worked out. If Australia's forests provide the maximum of hard and soft woods, the timber supply would be sufficient for a population of 22,500,000 people—almost three times the present number.

THE answer to these problems is to plant trees—and more trees. Australian pioneers first appreciated this fact seventy years ago when pinus radiata, a native of California, was planted in South Australia. But without modern motor transport, aeroplanes and earth equipment, pioneer foresters made slow progress. World depressions and world wars also upset tree-planting schedules.

In the early years of Australian settlement, indiscriminate destruction was checked by reserving all timber suitable for naval purposes for the British Navy. First recorded shipment of timber on a large scale for use in "His Majesty's dockyards" was made in 1804, but the end of the Napoleonic wars reduced demands for naval purposes.

As in the United States, much of the original Australian forest was destroyed in the process of settlement or by forest fires. Cedar and red gum plantations vanished under the impact of the axe. In one State alone, a forest area of 30,000,000 acres was reduced by two-thirds in a century. Tightening of laws in recent years has ended this reckless squandering of national assets.

And today, the foresters are returning to their unique and picturesque job—the building of a tree umbrella over a whole continent. In surveying and marking the countryside

with their 6 x 6 or 8 x 8 planting designs, they will be assisted by new ideas and techniques adapted from wartime constructional projects.

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As the forestry plan proceeds, it is hoped to achieve a better balance of hard and soft woods. The hardwoods, which predominate, are world renowned for their usefulness and longevity in constructional work. As an example, pier timbers of ironbark, jarrah and redgum, built into a Port Melbourne wharf eighty years ago, were recently extracted during rebuilding operations and were found to be in excellent condition. They had resisted marine organisms and were used again for ship-building berths, slipways and similar work.

During the war, the peeling of logs for production of match-board and sticks was carried out in Victoria and South Australia. Other products from Australian trees are charcoal, eucalyptus oil (bulk of which is shipped to U.K. and U.S.), sandalwood and sandalwood oils for medicines and perfumes, yacca gum for varnishes and lacquers, tan barks from the golden, black or green wattles and certain types of eucalyptus.

Postwar programs provide for large expenditure on Australian forests. It seems likely that in the next five years the various authorities will spend between \$54,000,000 and \$72,000,000 on the next stage of creating Australia's man-made forests.

The continental umbrella of living trees will not be finished in a day, or a year, or perhaps in a century, but it will go forward steadily all the time, providing new timber resources, holding down the soil, conserving precious water supplies, making the inland more habitable.



In Victoria, logs of Australian hardwood are transported from mountainside to mill by narrow-gauge railroads. Most Australian hardwoods belong to the genus Eucalyptus (Gums).



A busy scene at a timber mill at Powelltown, Victoria. More sawmills, large peeling and plywood plants and extensions to Australia's pulp and paper making industry are planned.

This Artist Makes Indian Portraits Her Field



"Shot-on-Both-Sides", head chief of the Blood Indians, an Alberta tribe.



Chief Joseph Louis, age 95, chief of the Similkameen Reserve, Okanagan, B.C.



Mrs. Siamelot, wife of one of the chiefs of the Squamish (British Columbia) tribe.



Mark Spence, Haida chief (British Columbia), is a skilled carver of totem poles.

MILDRED VALLEY THORNTON is a painter of note, a public speaker of pleasing personality and an art critic of discernment. For the past twelve years Mrs. Thornton has been a resident of Vancouver, coming there from Regina where she was outstanding in literary and artistic circles. Born in Ontario, she had for grandfather Edwin Longman, an Englishman who became famous as a American artist. Her aunt, Evelyn Beatrice Longman, attained distinction as a sculptor

to full membership in the National Academy of Design. Shortly after she settled in Saskatchewan Mrs. Thornton became fascinated by the history of the red men of the plains. She studied their folklore and memorized their legends, and determined to do what she could to interpret that Indian

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the brush and palette.
Since the early thirties Mrs. Thornton has produced portaits of more than 150 braves, chiefs, squaws, and klootchmen. She has shown little interest in the papoose or the modernized youth, but has devoted most of her attention to the men and women who were in their prime before the white man came, with a strong predilection for those around the century mark.

There is good reason for this. There is dignity in age. The face of the old Indian is lined and seamed and furrowed, the joys and sorrows of years have left their ineradicable mark on his countenance. Strength is nearly always present, but sometimes it is supplemented by a suggestion of craftiness. Every one has pronounced individuality, and there is a marked dissemblance between the natives of the prairies and those of the coast. They may be By P.W. Luce

of one race, but they certainly are not of one family.

Infinite patience is needed in painting Indians. Mrs. Thornton has that. She also has wonderful tact, and her fair share of feminine guile. She never argues or pleads. If a chief declines to sit she tells him she is very sorry that she will have to paint a minor chief instead, whose costume and head-dress does not compare in richness with that of the unwilling prospect. That is usually enough.

Often long and arduous journeys have had to be made at considerable expense to reservations and remote settlements to get these various portraits. Recently the artist has been able to recoup a small part of these expenditures by giving lectures under the auspices of the Women's Canadian Club. She has lectured in the Okanagan and on Vancouver Island as well as in the coast cities. Showing colored slides of her portraits, she describes informally their peculiar characteristics and relates humorous incidents of their lives. For her lectures she wears a magnificent costume of smoked buckskin, loaned to her by Dan Kennedy and his wife, of the Assiniboine tribe in Saskatchewan.

While the Indians themselves can hardly qualify as art critics, they nevertheless have a deep appreciation of Mrs. Thornton's unselfish devotion to their interests. They speak of her as "Owas-ka-ta-eskean", a name given to her by the 80-year-old widow of Almighty Voice, whose defiance of the white man's law is famous in western history. The name means "Putting history. The name means "Putting Your Most Ability for us Indians",

and it was bestowed on the artist when she painted the aged Cree on One Arrow Reserve, near Duck Lake, Saskatchewan, in 1942.

Mrs. Thornton, who studied at the Ontario College of Arts, Toronto, and the Art Institute in Chicago, works in oils, water colors and cray-With a sureness of touch which art critites say is exceptional in a woman, she is able to immortalize her subject on canvas in an hour or less. She works without a preliminary sketch and achieves her objective by careful design, studied strength and a plentiful use of color carefully applied. Exhibitions of her work in Toronto and other eastern cities have been favorably reviewed

by seasoned critics.

There is a possibility that this artist's Indian portraits may be acquired as a national collection. No other painter has produced compararable work in this field in Canada. John Innes applied much of his talent to Indian scenes, but he did only a few portraits and these were not particularly outstanding. Emily Carr produced only four B.C. heads. Frederick Remington did better by the American Indians. M. Grandemaison, a French artist who has done much appreciated work among the Indians of Banff, has a technique rather more conventionalized than Mrs. Thornton's.

In addition to her Indian paintings, the artist has found many subjects in the rugged beauty of British Columbia's landscapes. While she works with a light touch, and does not overload her canvases, she uses brilliant colors most effectively. Even when small, her paintings succeed in conveying the sense of spaciousness which is inseparable from British Columbia scenery.

In addition to her painting and lecturing, Mrs. Thornton is art critic of the Vancouver Sun.





"Buffalo Bow", doughty Cree of The artist, Mildred Valley Thorn-Saskatchewan is 107 years old. ton, wearing her Indian costume.



"Touchwood Hills, Sask." was hung in the Royal Canadian Academy.



"Pretty Kangaroo Woman", Blood Indian woman of Alberta.



Chief George, of Duncan, Vancouver Island, B.C.



"Down Vancouver Way", gift of Can. Authors' Assoc. to J. Murray Gibbon.

A Formula for Success at Peace Conference

By LORD HANKEY

The Paris Peace Conference, at first scheduled for this month, has been postponed and a new date may be announced by the present Foreign Ministers' Conference. Lord Hankey, who was British Secretary of the Peace Conference in 1919, says that the unity of the United Nations at present is so shaky that peace treaties will have to be negotiated in difficult circumstances.

However, the situation can be remedied by: (1) countries restoring international unity with mutual respect for national security; (2) the best possible international organization, especially at the conference itself. Past conferences—peace and other types have shown that the leadership of a few was the secret of success. The Big Powers should take charge of the big decisions.

THE traditional method of ending a state of war is by concluding a treaty of peace soon after the armistice. After an inconclusive war the treaty is negotiated. If the vic-

tory is decisive, it is often dictated.
After the war of 1914-18 the Allies decided to conclude the peace treaties at once, in order to take advantage of the unity established during the war. But in spite of much prepara-tory work, a preliminary Peace Con-ference had to be held to settle outstanding details.

Two months after the German armistice, this Conference met at Paris. Five months later (May 17, 1919) the draft Treaty of Versailles was presented to the Germans for written observations; and it was signed on June 28, seven and a half months after the armistice. The other treaties followed in succession: the treaty with Austria, September 10, 1919; with Bulgaria, November 27, 1919; and with Hungary, June 4, 1920. The treaty with Turkey, August 10, 1920, was never ratified, and the final settlement was made at Lausanne in July, 1923.

This time the Allies in their wisdom decided to leave peace treaties for later settlement. Today, thirty-three months after the Italian armistice, one year after the German armistice, and ten months after the Japanese armistice, no treaty has been signed or presented. In Germany there is no one competent to sign it.

Difficulties

Meanwhile, the world has drifted into chaos. Huge forces are scattered over the globe, absorbing an enormous manpower that is urgently needed to start the machinery of economic existence. Half the world is threatened with famine or short rations. Sea and land communications are dislocated. And, worst of all, the unity of the United Nations is so badly shaken that the peace treaties will have to be negotiated in difficult circumstances.

How can the situation be reme-

died? The first essential is to restore unity. Before the Peace Conference the Big Powers must somehow bridge the gap between East and West. That was attempted by the Big Four before the Conference of Vienna, but without success, Poland being one of the difficulties, but the ground controversy was narrowed.

Starting Point

The principal common ground among the Great Powers today is a desire for peace and security. Beyond that we get into difficulties.

"Our general purpose," said Mr. Chamberlain in 1939, in a phrase reminiscent of Mr. Asquith in 1914, "is to redeem Europe from the per-petual fear of German aggression, and enable the peoples of Europe to preserve their liberties and their in-dependence." Europe has been res-cued from German aggression, but so long as Russia suppresses liberty and independence in the Eastern half our purpose is not fulfilled.

The Russian policy can probably be attributed to preoccupation over security. This is understandable. In 1941 they were near disaster. Their country was overrun. They had to "scorch" it themselves, and the Germans took what remained. mans took what remained. They suffered unparalleled devastation and spoilation. Millions were enslaved. They had to fight their way back for four years against the bulk of the German army. They sustained seven million casualties. Preoccupied with their own plight, with little knowledge of sea warfare or of British and edge of sea warfare or of British and American difficulties in simultaneously conducting a world war by sea and air and raising, equipping, transporting and landing the huge armies required for an invasion of Europe, they resented our apparent slowness in opening a second front.

The atomic bomb did nothing to allay their suspicions. It cannot have been agreeable to them to learn, just after declaring war on Japan, that their two principal Allies had concerted this decisive weapon without their knowledge and were about to launch it. How should we have felt in similar circumstances? No doubt also the bomb complicated their security problem. All this may account in some degree for their apparent determination to put as large a space as possible between their country and any possible adversaries by estab-lishing tutelage over adjacent territories.

If security were the only Russian aim, some solution might be found. But unfortunately their hegemony over Eastern Europe, accompanied by propagandist and ideological activities elsewhere, suggests more sinister designs. It is for Russia to remove these widespread doubts and thus to open the way for a lasting peace, which is the only reliable basis of security for them as well as for other countries.

Lesson from Past

That is the first requisite. Next it is necessary to get the best possible international organization, especially at the coming Peace Conference. Here we can learn from the past.

At the Congress of Vienna the Big At the Congress of Vienna the Big Four—Britain, Austria, Russia, and Prussia, with France added shortly after—took a firm hold of the proceedings from the outset. Aided by an able secretary (Gentz) and ten committees, they decided all important questions at informal and unrecognized meetings before they reach cognized meetings before they reached the Conference. "Strictly speaking," as one historian has put it, Congress never took shape until its Final Act, when everybody adhered or refused to adhere to the findings of the committees." The Final Act was signed about nine months after

the assembly of the Congress.

The procedure at the Paris Peace Conference was somewhat similar. Only six plenary meetings were held. largely to register the decisions of the five Principal Powers. There were eighteen main commissions, and many sub-commissions, which gave the Conference plenty of work. The original Supreme Council of Ten (two representatives for each Great Power) proved too large and too leaky, and it was only after the Big Four (President Wilson, Mr. Lloyd George, M. Clemenceau, and M. Orlando) meeting, like their predecessors at Vienna, informally, with a

secretary and interpreters, had taken the decisions into their own hands that success was achieved. The Treaty of Versailles was signed about six months after the assembly of the Conference.

In a word, leadership of a few was established at both Conferences, although other countries were consulted on matters concerning them, had representation on committees, and were free in the last resort to reject the treaties. Leadership is the secret of success in national or international organizations, as witnessed by the success of our War Cabinets and the Allied Supreme Controls in two wars, and of many successful international conferences, and by the failure of the League of Nations with its over-large

At the coming Peace Conference

it is essential that, however informally and unobtrusively, the Big Powers should take charge of the big decisions. But they must first establish



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OTTAWA LETTER

Ottawa Conference at Critical Stage in Tax Deliberations

By WILFRID EGGLESTON

Ottawa.

AFTER more than eight months of deliberation, nearly all of it behind closed doors, the Dominion-Provincial conference on reconstruction was brought out into the open this week and the historic issues squarely joined at last. This letter is being written before the outcome of the conference is decided and must, therefore, be in the nature of an interim report. However, as early as the first morning the Dominion Government took some pains to outline their latest proposals. They were not their last proposals, but they drew a line and said that that was about as far as they could go. They amnounced what they would do if an agreement could be reached on that basis. They made no bones over what they would have to do if the conference broke down.

The language used by the Prime Minister in announcing the latter eventuality was resolute and sounded in at least one quarter rather menacing. Premier Duplessis seized on this point and asked flatly if that was to be construed as a threat, adding his own views as to what Quebec's reaction would be to anything of that sort.

Eight months of discussion had brought the provinces to various stages of agreement or disagreement with the Dominion plan. Seven of them were already prepared to accept the principle and to discuss details, not all, perhaps, with enthusiasm; but, at worst, in the mood that the Dominion offer was the lesser of two evils. The more unpleasant evil was, of course, the threat of a complete breakdown of negotiations and the necessity of going back to their taxpayers, and electors, with the immediate prospect of drafting a painful schedule of new taxes, to replace the revenues they would lose when the wartime tax agreements would expire in eight or ten months.

The other two provinces were, on Monday, obviously in an embarrassing position between the devil and the deep blue sea. They frankly found the Dominion plan obnoxious if not inacceptable. But they were not yet ready to bow themselves

gracefully out and go home without having reached an agreement, though it was a little difficult to reconcile their language with their conciliatory behavior. Both Premier Drew and Premier Duplessis outlined their cri-tical attitude and the historical reasons for it. As they proceeded to do so, the vast gulf yawning between the conception of taxing powers held by the Dominion Government and that held by Premier Duplessis was only too apparent. Premier Drew's brief, it was true, marked a very substantial advance toward an agreement with the Dominion offer, especially the revised offer contained in the Monday morning version. But even after eight months' discussion, it looked as though Succession Duties would prove a grave stumbling block to any agreement by Ontario.

Door Not Closed

But no one closed the door completely. Half way through Premier Drew's address, there were long faces everywhere in the Red Chamber; yet in his closing remarks he seemed to be pleading, almost as it were against his will, for some formula which would satisfy both Ottawa and Ontario. Premier Duplessis's enunciation of provincial autonomy seemed, on the face of it, an adamant rejection of the whole philosophy of the Dominion brief yet he appeared to be restrained by hidden but powerful influences from saying the one word which would have sealed the doom of any unanimous agreement, and sent the delegates home.

It is clear that the clasp of interests between the new policy of the Dominion Government and the historic and established position of certain provinces is so violent that only exceptional pressure upon the provinces would have brought them within speaking distance of the Dominion proposals. This pressure arises, of course, out of the circumstances of the war. The provinces evacuated the direct tax fields on personal and corporation income and permitted without any resistance and with little objection the Dominion invasion of Succession Du-

ties, only because the country was then fighting for its life; and nothing could be allowed to stand in the way of the most efficient financing of the war. They vacated the personal and corporation income tax field, and the Dominion proceeded to raise rates to the highest level in history. Even while they withdrew, the provincial premiers must have sensed how difficult it was going to be ever to get back again. Now the wartime agreements are expiring; the provinces find the Dominion ex-ploiting these fields about as vigorously as the taxpayer will stand for, and they can derive no satisfaction from the prospect of having to go back to their taxpayers and levy additional taxes for provincial needs. Indeed, for most premiers, certainly those faced by an opposition even mildly acceptable to the voters, such a course looks like political suicide.

It may be contended that the Dominion has been taking unfair advantage of its temporary fiscal domination to coerce the provinces into arrangements which could not possibly have been obtained before the war, when all the provinces still possessed a much higher degree of bargaining power. Certainly, at the moment the Dominion holds strong cards, and history will judge whether it was to blame in attempting to use them to bring about reforms which appear to Ottawa to be to the general advantage of the country.

If certain areas are highly industrialized today, if certain natural resources can be advantageously exploited, if certain metropolitan areas possess a very large share of the wealth and taxable income of Canada, these facts are largely the re-

sult of national decisions, made by representatives of all Canadians sitting in the Canadian Parliament. Once the isolated communities of settlement and industry had been woven together by national decisions—trade, monetary, tariff and transportation policies—into a transcontinental economy, the day had come to tap those national streams and pools of wealth for all Canadians. Otherwise, great injustices would arise.

Subsidies Undesirable

The problem is, if these productive direct taxes are logically and equitably to be collected by Ottawa, what adequate revenues can be provided for the provinces other than large annual grants from Ottawa, which, according to several premiers, reduce them to the status of annuitants and even "beggars." Subsidies, we were told on Monday, are objectionable and must be done away with. With this ideal principle most students of federal finance would be in complete agreement. To the extent that each sovereign or quasisovereign component of a federation can be placed in a position in which it can raise directly all its revenue needs, the most contentious element between the several governments is eliminated. There has been endless friction and ill-feeling between the provinces and the Dominion in the past 79 years over grants and subsidies. Any statesman who can show us how to eliminate subsidies while still meeting the fiscal need of all nine provinces and giving Canada meanwhile a modern equitable tax system in keeping with the realities of an integrated economy, will earn the undying blessing of his country. They tried hard in 1864, and the issue nearly broke up the negotiations for Confederation. The conundrum was beyond them; they reluctantly wrote subsidies into the British North America Act. One may be permitted to doubt whether they could now be eliminated except by a remedy which would be worse than the disease.



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WASHINGTON LETTER

Canadian Tourist Industry Must Send More Information to U.S.

By JAY MILLER

Washington, D.C.

THE rubberneck industry appears to be reconverting rapidly. This is particularly true in the U.S. capital, where the American war effort got its overall direction.

During the war years, that ubiquitous individual, the American tourist, was absent from the Washington scene. Lack of gasoline kept him off the highways and restrictions on travel and the movement of troops kept him out of buses or trains excepting for trips connected with the war effort.

Now, in the first peacetime spring since the war ended, the American tourist is burgeoning forth. He and his family are to be seen on Washington streets. He may be buttonholing a policeman for directions to some national shrine or point of interest. His car is to be found along with those of other visitors parked near the Capitol. Sometimes as many as a dozen different states will be represented in a relatively small parking area.



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And we might add that the Oak Ridge visit, except for a glimpse of some ordinary-looking houses and trucks, might just as well have been made to some other spot in the Great Smokies. Visitors do not get within viewing distance of the plant. There was the belief here that restrictions would be lifted after the first atom bomb stories were released, but since the Canadian spy case, restrictions have been just as tight, if not tighter, than ever.

Our Great Smokies visit was primarily concerned with the opening of Fontana Village, community for workers on Fontana Dam of the T.V.A. system which has been taken over by Government Services, Inc., of Washington, D.C., as a recreational area. Workers homes are being converted into tourist dwellings and recreational facilities, such as boating, horseback riding, hiking, and fishing, are being organized.

Wilderness Housing

The Dam is 480 feet high, in a rugged mountain setting, which Brad Lawrence, chief of the Knoxville tourist bureau, says is the only wilderness vacation spot in Eastern United States with such modern housing accommodation.

We visited nearby Asheville, N.C., and Chattanooga, Tenn., and inspected adjacent vacation places. The recreational set-up at Norris Dam, which is T.V.A. operated, included log cabins, but its setting was rustic rather than wild. It is a favorite vacation spot in the T.V.A. system, soon to be rivalled and possibly surpassed by Fontana.

During our visit to Knoxville the local press announced that already T.V.A. projects had attracted visitors from many foreign countries including Canada. This prompted a checkup at local offices of the American Automobile Association which revealed that many Canadians in normal times visit the Great Smokies. They are expected to tour the area in greater numbers now that travel bans are off

Quebec tourist literature was prominent on the shelves of all Three-A offices we visited. We also saw one pamphlet advertising the 1,000 Islands of Eastern Ontario. There were also pamphlets from Kingsville, Ont.,

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Travel officials in the Great Smokies and elsewhere report that already tourist places are booked to the limit as late as August of this year. They were unanimous in the opinion that if Canada has accommodation for visitors she can fill a current American need by making these available. The Dominion can profit handsomely from tourist income this year, but our superficial observations would indicate that greater effort might be exerted to give the U.S. more information about touring facilities.

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Russell Singer, general manager of the American Automobile Association, estimates that tourist income in the U.S. will gross ten billion dollars during 1946.

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The Sudanese interest in the problem is that the administration of the country should be developed in such a way that they can run it themselves with reasonable skill and efficiency. The Egyptian interest is that the southern frontiers of Egypt shall be secured by having a peaceful neighbor and that the overriding Egyptian claim to an uninterrupted share of the Nile water shall be safeguarded. The British interest is in no sense in conflict with any of these principles. In such circumstances the problem should lend itself to a solu-tion which would be agreeable to all.



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Cease Fire"-End Line In 4th Div.'s Drama

By LARRY SMITH

One year ago today on May 4, 1945, at dusk, two words flashed down the lines of Field Marshal Montgomery's 21st Army Group. And the First Canadian Army belonged to that group; 4th Div. was in the Canadian Army. The official announcement of war's end was yet to come. But to the lads in the 4th Div.—and all the other Div.'s—those words meant more than officialese. "Cease Fire"—this time, no rumor—was the awaited curtain line that brought relief for brave actors in a grim show.

The writer was an officer with the 23rd Field Regiment, R.C.A., and was serving as an intelligence officer at an artillery command post in the dramatic moment described below.

A FRENZIED radio operator burst into a Canadian artillery command post in North-west Germany just after supper one evening. It was May 4, 1945.

"Hey, the war's over," he cried. "The B.B.C. says it's over."

The harassed adjutant and intelligence officer, busy manning two radio sets and a couple of army phones as they coordinated the fire of their 24 guns with that of the rest of the divisional artillery, cast glances over their shoulders and turned back to the operations table. Not even the sacrosanct B.B.C., safe and solid as Gibraltar in its pronouncements, could interfere with the speedy delivery of artillery fire to the infantry up ahead.

Maybe the war was over. Perhaps the B.B.C. was right and this wasn't a 1945 repeat of United Press's classic gun-beating in 1918. But the Germans south of Wilhelmshaven that fine day weren't listening to the radio and Schmeiser bullets can be just as deadly thirty seconds after an official peace as before

an official peace as before.
"Sugar ready," the adjutant said over the brigadier's radio net. The I.O. held the other mike ready to give the order "Fire" to the three batteries.

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"Fire" shouted the adjutant in acknowledgement.

"Fire" bellowed the I.O. Down the line went the order until the crash of 24 guns sent a regimental volley spinning through the gathering dusk toward the German positions.

toward the German positions. "Sugar shot," to div. arty. "Stand easy," to the guns.

Then the adjutant sat back and lit a cigarette.

"What was all that again?" he asked the operator.

asked the operator.

"The B.B.C. says all the Germans in north-west Europe have surrendered to 21st Army Group, sir. We'll get 'Cease Fire' in the morning."

Well, there it was at last. Or was

even, there it wa

After the German surrender and throughout the past year much has been written about the dying moments of the war and the particular way in which the climax—the long-awaited history-making climax—came. Articles and books have told of the behind-scene negotiations by the red-braid staff, the mounting knowledge that the clock was speeding toward the moment of peace, the arrangements for the actual surrender. Reams were filed about victory celebrations in London, in Paris, in New York and in Toronto.

What of Soldier?

But what of the soldier—the man to whom the news meant more than to anyone else? How did peace come to the Canadian fighting man in the line?

Well, it's just a year ago now and the memory is still sharp and clear. It's a memory which will stay that way till age dims all remembrance, just as the picture of the shipcrowded beaches and the first hours of combat will remain ever in focus.

The rumors had been whirling around the Canadian Army for days before the B.B.C. announcement on a warm spring evening gave some substance to them. Ever since the Rhine had been crossed the lads had followed on the "I" maps the sweeping colored arrows crayoned on the talc to mark the progress of the fast-moving American armies. The

Russians and Yanks had linked. Berlin had fallen. The maroon-beret lads of the 6th British Airborne Div. had begged and borrowed their way almost to the Danish border. The British Second Army was into and beyond Hamburg.

But on the Canadian front facts had belied the rumors and the news reports and the long red chinagraph arrows. It had been a stiff fight battling down the right bank of the Rhine from Rees to Emmerich. Both tanks and infantry had found it tough slugging up through canal-cut eastern Holland where every bridge had been smashed by the demolitionexpert Huns. After beautiful weather for the Rhine crossing, the winds and rain had come. The second-rate roads picked for the green-patch 4th Armored Division's tank axis had been churned to muddy rivers, yet it was impossible to take the heavy tanks off onto the fields as had been done during the dry, dusty push from Caen to Falaise.

Across the Ems and into peatbogged north-west Germany the going had become grimmer. Mines took heavy casualties those last weeks in the Canadian sector. The Germans massed more artillery and mortars than had been seen for some time. Delaying actions were highly successful. It seemed virtually impossible to shake loose the mobile armor to run as the Americans and British had apparently done. It seemed as though the war was going on for ever.

There had been disastrous events like the planned counter-attack by fanatic ground - fighting paratroopers at Sogel against 4th Div. and the unplanned melee which enveloped 5th Div. headquarters and an artillery regiment at Otterloo. There was 4th Div's. slow battle into Friesoythe along a narrow road bordered by impassable ditches where the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders lost their commanding officer, Lt.-Col. Fred Wigle, former Big Four rugby star. There were cases of German civilians sniping from houses and there were drastic reprisals like the battering down of Sogel and the firing of Friesoythe.

4th Div. infantry won't soon forget the fight to cross and hold the Kusten Canal, fought with heavy losses only a scant ten days before the end of the war, or the grinding push up to beautiful Bad Zwischenahn, lovely watering-place quickly evacuated by the Germans after a "surrender or else" ultimatum presented to the burgomaster.

Small wonder that the Canucks were paying little attention to rumors, newspapers, and letters from home which as much as said it was all over. They were too busy ducking. But it is widely acknowledged that the rumors had taken some hold. Any lad in the infantry or tanks during the final few weeks will admit they weren't taking the same chances they used to. What was the point? If the Yanks and the





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Reds and the Limeys were going to win the war, O.K., let 'em. Dead men can't argue about who won the war. They'd just pull their heads in a bit and take things more easily.

As far as 2nd and 4th Divs. were concerned, the final announcement came after two fairly successful days. On May 3, 4th Div.'s clanking Sherman tanks had finally broken loose, slicing rapidly east to cut the main highway and railroad between Wilhelmshaven and Oldenburg. The latter city had capitulated to 2nd Div. just as the blue-patch veterans were poised to attack.

However, for 4th Div. the day of May 4 had been a busy one and progress had almost ceased. The artillery fired more ammunition that day than they had since the Kusten Canal. Armor and infantry reported contact with the enemy all along the line and there was stuff coming back. Not heavy, but it was enemy stuff and it could hurt.

So the adjutant, as well as others, was a bit skeptical. He'd heard the song before although it hadn't been a B.B.C. tune until then.

"Well, I'll give div. arty. a whirl and see if the B.M. knows anything yet," he decided.

The brigade major didn't know anything certain at the moment, he was told, but the "tactical situation" indicated there was something big in the wind. He'd phone back as soon as he could. Meanwhile here was another target. And the guns barked once more.

Finally the div. arty. phone tinkled again.

"Multiple call, fellows," said the adjutant in an aside after he picked up the cradle. A pregnant hush fell over the room as he waited for the other regiments to get on the line. A pot of tea simmered sibilantly in the corner. The two No. 19 radio sets squealed agonizingly as only 19 sets can, loud and continuously until



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the ears fail to register the sound.

A slow grin spread over his face as he listened to the B.M. The tension of the watchers mounted. Then

he replaced the receiver.

"It's true, lads. It's all over.
We're to empty the guns with ejectors and there'll be no more targets unless it's a matter of life and death called for by a foo. (forward observation officer.) The official 'Cease Fire' order will come at eight in the morning.'

Most Were Quiet

A couple of guys whooped. Several clapped their pals on the back. The word spread rapidly to the batteries and the guns and a few shouts could be heard. But a lot of fellows just stood rather quietly or sank into a chair. Someone poured himself a cup of tea. Another lad with untold satisfaction yanked the jacks on the earphones and the squealing stopped.

A gang drifted back from a concert party show given in Rastede. The master of ceremonies had hinted that a very special announce-ment had been made over the radio and the boys didn't know whether

it was true or just a part of the show. When they heard the news their reactions were much the same as the others.

For awhile the noise grew. But a numbed sensation-almost as if one had been plunged into a vacuum —seemed to come over everyone. They'd shout a bit or drink a bit with the crowd but soon they'd drift off to sit in a chair or on a box, or lie down on their blanket roll and just think. In reality it wasn't thinking. It was just a matter of letting the mind rest, allowing thoughts to tumble to the top of consciousness as they might, and permitting the impact of the event to lodge solidly in their brains.

It was as if you had come to the end of your map in a foreign land and must now probe ahead uncer-tainly in unknown country. A life had ended and a new uncharted one was about to begin. The familiar pattern into which your thoughts and actions for three or four years had been neatly fitted was broken and the new pattern had to be assembled with no guiding clues.

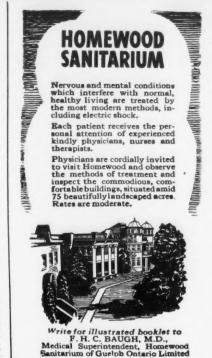
The relief was over-powering. When a man lives in hourly danger of death for long months on end, it

is no small thing to be lifted sud-denly from the valley by a brief radio or phone message. And with the knowledge that death was stalking away into the mists and the job was done, came thoughts of home and of those to whom the great news would have special meaning.

Most soldiers went to sleep in peace that night.

To sleep in peace and security. To work the same way. In essence, perhaps, that was the fighting man's philosophy as he battled the weary miles from Sicily up the rugged boot of Italy, across the Normandy sands over Furone toward. mandy sands, over Europe toward the "heart of Berlin." And now, this night of May 4, 1945, the trail's end had been reached.

That night peace in all its meaning came to the front-line soldier. "Cease Fire" over the army wireless at eight o'clock next morning was perhaps an anti-climax and not so important to digest as was breakfast. V-E Day certainly was. For the natural emotions of those first few hours could never be restored no matter how valiant the artificial attempt might be. The past, whether immediate or distant, is not easily recaptured.





THE WORLD TODAY

No Peace Unless the Big Three Can Reach German Settlement

By WILLSON WOODSIDE

THE powers are meeting in Paris again, to make peace. But few of the ideals and illusions of 1919 remain. There is little indication that their main preoccupation will be the working out of the best possible solution for the countries, peoples and

economy of Europe.

Mr. Byrnes, it is true, has a plan for a European Economic Council, much less far-reaching than Mr. Churchill's 1943 proposal for a political Council of Europe, with regional federations. But so much have conditions deteriorated in these past three years that it is not even certain, according to Washington sources, that Byrnes will find the atmosphere sufficiently favorable to bring his plan out for discussion.

A Grim Contest

Indeed, although the British and American delegates cannot quite give up their hopes that even yet a decent peace can be worked out which will allow the Continent to settle down to peaceful reconstruction, a peace which will at the same

time increase confidence among the great powers and add to the stability and authority of the United Nations, they were steeled to a grim contest for power which might settle no more than the placing of a barbed-wire fence across Europe.

The agenda for the meeting seemed best expressed, not in a catalogue of the problems of Italy, the Balkans, Germany, and the Continent as a whole, but in the brutally simple questions: what do the Soviets want, and what do we want, and can the two goals, spreading for the past year, be brought any closer together than they stand as the conference begins?

Just as the negotiation of treaties with Italy and the Axis satellites Hungary, Roumania and Bulgaria will settle nothing if Germany is not settled, so the actual program of the conference seems less important than the motives with which the eastern and western powers approach it.

The conviction has been growing in London ever since the break-up of the first foreign ministers' meeting in London last September that the

Soviets find an interest in delaying the settlement of Europe, believing that time and uncertainty work for them.

Byrnes and Bevin are thus placed in an inferior bargaining position from the beginning, in urging that the conference be held now and settlement reached as soon as possible, if the Soviets feel that they are quite willing to wait.

The paradox of Bevin's position has been well stated by the able London correspondent of the Christian Science Monitor, Saville Davis. He and his Labor Government colleagues feel sure that Communist influence in Europe is now at its high tide, as it was shortly after the last war, and that given a return to more normal conditions the Social Democratic forces which they are anxious to see prevail, will steadily gain ground.

Bevin, Too, May Delay

They don't want to sign a peace now which will make irretrievable concessions to Soviet power and influence, but would rather wait until normality has returned. However, normality is not likely to return until a peace settlement has stabilized conditions.

Placed in this position, Davis states that anxious as they are for a peace settlement at the earliest possible moment, the British are prepared to match the Soviet delaying tactics if necessary rather than make great concessions to Russia now.

Perhaps the most significant change of all in British thinking has occurred over Germany. As anxious as the Americans, up until a couple of months ago, to get a central regime reorganized in Germany, they have had second thoughts about this.

Watching the determination with which the Russians are pushing the penetration of the German working class by the Communists, and carrying out a fusion of the German Social Democrat Party with the Communist Party (the vote against this was six to one among Social Democrats in the British and American zones of Berlin, and when the Russians saw how things were going they cancelled the vote in their sector and carried out the fusion anyway) the British feel that to set up a Central German Government now would virtually be to hand it over to Communist control.

The plant of totalitarianism sprouts far more rapidly and easily than that of democracy, slowest-growing and most delicate of all political plants; and in Germany the ground is already well-fertilized for totalitarianism. By maintaining full control over political life within their own zone, and the French and Americans within theirs, the British now hope that time, improved living conditions and security may give democracy the time which it will need.

But in trying to improve conditions in their zone, to head off Communism, their plans run into those of the French on the question of the Ruhr. The British feel that Ruhr industry should be revived, to improve conditions in Western Germany by providing some minimum of export trade which would allow the Germans to buy the many things they need.

What French Want in Ruhr

The French don't want to see the Ruhr revived, for the main benefit of Germany, and under German economic, much less political, control. They have opposed, above all, the setting up of a German Central Government before the future of the Ruhr was settled, because they believed that if the Ruhr was once handed back to German political control, it would be very hard to pry it away again.

The French view on the Ruhr is that it should now serve the whole of Western Europe. Having helped destroy it, the Ruhr should aid in rebuilding it. They don't want to annex the Ruhr, having few illusions as to the prospects of getting German workers to serve them, after their experience in 1923, and not having any surplus workers of their own. Quite the contrary, they say that they need another million workers in France during the next few years, and are holding out inducements to foreign labor. So they pro-

pose putting the Ruhr under international control.

British and French opinion has been coming noticeably closer on the Ruhr question lately, and it appears that this must arise out of the changed British attitude towards hastening the setting up of a Central Reich Government, as well as out of increasing French apprehension over a Communized Germany.

The great majority of the French

The great majority of the French people do not want to see Russian power and influence extended to their very border, and Foreign Minister Bidault represents this opinion, though he may be under considerable pressure from his Communist colleagues in the government.

At present, with elections coming

At present, with elections coming up in another month, the latter are playing a very interesting "patriotic" game, supporting the Rhineland separation policy so strongly favored by most of the nation. The Soviet offer to supply a badly needed half million tons of grain (against foreign exchange, not French francs, and far less than current Canadian shipments to France) is also getting a big play in the French Communist press and in the Party's elaborate propaganda.

Some observers in Paris have suggested that Mr. Molotov's prompt and gracious offer to let France sit in on the discussion of all treaties (though she can still vote only on the Italian) is an effort to erase from French minds the sting of exclusion, at Soviet insistence, from both Yalta and Potsdam, and to further improve the atmosphere for the coming, highly-critical elections.

Communism at High Tide

For, according to the view that Communism in Europe is now at its high tide, the present opportunity should be the best that the French Communists will have in a long time. Another slapping-down of French self-esteem by Molotov, similar to the one which broke up the London Conference, would not help their chances any just at this time. This, then, is the rather murky at-

This, then, is the rather murky atmosphere in which the "trustees of mankind" are meeting in Paris this week. There is the French election coming along, in which the Communists, now slightly the largest party, should hold their own, the Socialists lost a little, and the centre and right

regain some ground. There is the Russian play for time in which to further consolidate the regimes planted throughout Eastern Europe, and gain a solid economic hold on this

There is the British and American anxiety for an early settlement which will maintain Europe as an entity if possible, and allow it to get down to work to repair its foundations of living, with which should come more stable politics. And there is the highly dangerous contest going on for Germany.

Instead of these basic questions, the conferees are going to talk about Italian reparations, Trieste and Tripolitania, the South Tirol and the Dodecanese; and about treaties with the Axis satellites which are to win final recognition of their new, Communist-dominated governments by the western powers.

Behind Trieste Debate

Although the settlement of these matters would not assure peace for Europe or confidence among the Big Three, it is perhaps necessary to outline the various points involved. About Trieste, the British-American thesis is that the city, being thoroughly Italian — as any impartial visitor must admit — should remain with Italy, but the port be placed under international control, since it serves Austrian, Hungarian, Czechoslovak and Yugoslav trade as well as Italian.

The Soviets haven't come out clearly on the issue yet, but it is not doubted that they will support Tito's claim. Local European Communist parties are being allowed considerable latitude in their views, the Italian Communists "patriotically" claiming the city for Italy, as they must, considering the state of national opinion; while the French Communists balance this by saying that Trieste should go to Yugoslavia.

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More than one-half of the 35,000 German P.O.W.'s formerly quartered in Canada have been sent to Britain, where many, like these chaps at a Church Army farm in Essex, are put to work felling trees to provide firewood. This will be stored for distribution to London's poor next winter.

there has as yet been no single plebiscite taken in Europe to decide the handing about of millions of people—but control by Russia of the foreign trade of Central Europe, particularly Austria and Hungary, and access by her to a first-class naval base on the Adriatic.

She already controls, in Albania, the entrance to that sea. Trieste, then, is tied in with the Soviet bid for position in the Mediterranean, and the British attitude towards it will be conditioned entirely by determination to maintain the "lifeline" through that sea.

The same goes, even more obviously, for Tripolitania. Although the Soviet claim here, which Bevin called "reaching across Britain's throat", has been maintained inflexibly all winter long in the abortive meetings of the foreign ministers' deputies, it may be that it was put forward as a maximum demand, to be offered in trade at the last moment for the desired Soviet bases in the Dodecanese, controlling the Dardanelles.

Dodecanese Big Issue

This Dodecanese claim is going to be another knotty one. The three other powers want to demilitarize the Italian bases here and hand the islands, with their Greek population, back to Greece. Russia wants to take over the bases, intact, for her own use.

This would bring three big developments in its train. Soviet naval and air power would be brought out into the Mediterranean. The Dardanelles, and behind it the Danube, dominating as it does the whole life of Central Europe and the Balkans, would be under Soviet control. And Turkey would be placed behind the Soviet

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outer screen, changing the whole balance of the Middle East, of which she is the only solid state.

A further Soviet claim which Molotov hinted at plainly in London, for a base in the former Italian colony of Eritrea, on the Red Sea, would not seem to have a ghost of a chance of being accepted.

One can imagine the sardonic humor with which the men in the Kremlin framed these far-reaching demands for territory liberated by the agonizing early efforts and final triumphant campaign of British arms in the Middle East and the Mediterranean. There has been no slightest counter-balancing concession made of any territory conquered by the Red Army — if one were to put the peace settlement on such a crude basis. "What we take, we hold, and what others have taken, we ask for."

It is surely an ironic situation that the delegates of Britain and the United States should be battling on the defensive against Soviet claims for Italian territory, reparations and a share in her navy, and battling for a solution for Western Germany, after the Soviet Union has carried out, unilaterally, her own peace settlement for the whole of Eastern Europe, cut off one-quarter of Germany, annexed the Baltic States, set up her own ready-made regimes all the way from Poland down to Bulgaria, with Iran too now well in hand. And we should be on the defensive!

What we are witnessing are diplomatic shock tactics. Stalin's diplomacy, like Hitler's before the war, is essentially military in concept, with attack, camouflage, flanking maneuvers and occasionally a temporary retreat pour mieux sauter. Every concession yielded by us is taken as a sign of weakness; every concession asked of them is an affront to their national pride and a menace to their "security." We see it constantly in the United Nations debates, and we shall see it in the Paris Conference.

Contrast with Versailles

The contrast between the atmosphere and opportunity in Paris today, and those which prevailed at the time of Versailles is indeed arresting. Then, with Germany laid low and Russia dissolved in revolution, there was a chance to make a solution for a unitary Europe on the basis of Western parliamentary institutions and individual freedom.

It would be too much to say, on the basis of Christian civilization, for the fabric of European Christianity had already been seriously weakened by that time, and this is, of course at the bottom of the whole trouble. Without the restraint of some ethic, Christian, Confucian or Buddhist—there need be no exclusive claim — we are left to deal with power rampant, and a power increasing terrifyingly from decade to decade.

The Versailles effort, as Dr. Benes argued in a long talk with the writer on the subject two years ago, was not a bad one. It gave national free-

dom to tens of millions of Central and Eastern Europeans, and a moderate peace to Germany which might have been the basis for bringing her back into the European community. Its main faults were too little concern for the economic factors becoming more and more important in our time, and failure in enforcement and adjustment.

What opportunity remains today? The great vision of unifying Europe, which Churchill alone of the big leaders put forward during the war, and which alone could have justified the terrible ordeal of its peoples, has faded quite from view.

European Tradition

The European tradition, which provided a very real basis for unity despite the local hatreds whipped up by exaggerated nationalism, has been put under the hammer in one half of the continent and is continuing to decay in the other, instead of being revived and cherished in the hope of a broad new life. In place of new freedom, 125 million people have fallen under the grip of new police states.

The "opportunity" left today appears more and more that of rescuing the sickly western and southern fringe of the continent, if possible, and to a certain degree pampering the western half of Germany so that she will not surrender to despair or

blandishments and bring Communism to the Rhine.

It is an "opportunity" to locate the barbed-wire fence across the middle of the continent. But any settlement which does not find a unitary solution for Germany, assure freedom to Central Europe and the Balkans and abate the fierce ideological conflict raging throughout the whole continent will bring no peace.

ent will bring no peace.

A suitable commentary on this peace is provided in the following two items from the press this week. Mr. Churchill, who must rank as the most experienced statesman of our time, with a deep feeling for history, gave this picture of the world situation in an address at Aberdeen. "In many countries, where even united efforts would fall short of what is needed, party strife and faction is fomented or machine-made, and skeleton fanatics rave at each other about their ideologies.

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"All the while, ordinary folk of every country show themselves kindly and brave and serviceable to their fellow men. Yet they are driven against one another by forces and organizations and doctrines as wantonly and as remorselessly as they were even in the ages of absolute emperors and kings.

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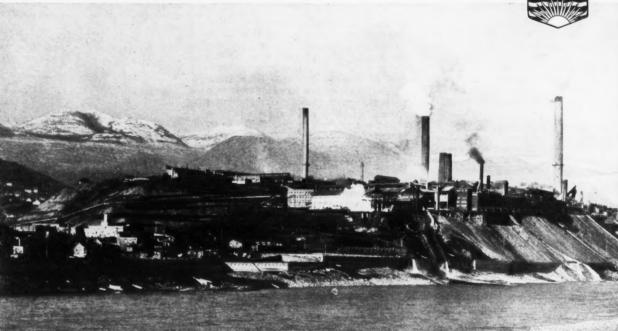
quished, innocent or guilty, are plunged in bewilderment, distress and ruin. The world is very ill. Only science has rolled forward, whipped by the fierce winds of mortal war, and science has placed in the hands of men agencies of destruction far beyond any development of their common sense or virtue.

"There never was a time when breathing space was more needed, a blessed convalescence, a truce of God and man. Mankind cannot in its present plight bear new shocks without descending to altogether cruder and primordial forms."

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Canadian Unity and Separate School Problem of Ontario

By B. K. SANDWELL

I HAVE been studying with a good deal of care the Brief submitted to the Ontario Royal Commission on Education by the Inter-Church Committee on Protestant-Roman Catholic Relations—which I should perhaps add is not "Inter-Church" in the sense of representing the Protestant and Roman Catholic Churches. It is an admirable document in many ways, but I am not sure that even its authors fully realize what its implications are and how they must strike persons who are not of the Protestant faith. These implications fall under two separate heads, according as they relate to (1) the general question of the maintenance of Separate Schools out of funds collected by taxation, or (2) the use of the French language in such schools.

Under the first head, the position of the Committee—which it must be remembered is, in regard to Protestant-Roman Catholic relations, the official mouthpiece for Ontario of the Church of England, the Presbyterian Church, the United Church of Canada, and several other bodies-is that no right or privilege must ever be granted to the Separate Schools of Ontario which is not specifically assured to them by the British North America Act. "We take the position that all additional concessions which they (the Roman Catholics) have obtained since Confederation shall be cancelled, as this (the Act of 1863, in force at Confederation) was a permanent and final settle-ment." This statement is absolute This statement is absolute and unqualified, and is the basis of all the specific demands in the Brief.

Statements Irreconcilable

It is true that there is also another sentence in the Brief as follows: "We do not take the narrow ground that no changes should be made where the progress of events has produced altered conditions; we believe that, while details may be adjusted, the general principles underlying, and the spirit of, the Act of 1863 shall be continued unchanged." But these two statements are of course irreconcilable, and it is the first statement that governs. Nowhere in the Brief can I find mention of any "additional con-cession" which the Committee regards as exempted from condemnation by the fact that it is due to "altered conditions" or is a detail which "may be adjusted" without impairing the general principles and spirit of the Act of 1863.

In effect the attitude of the Committee is that it is not called upon to be in any way concerned about any economic problems that may confront the Roman Catholic population in the task of providing adequate education by means of the revenues available under the Act of 1863. If Catholics cannot obtain an adequate education under the terms of that Act they will either be inadequately educated or they will move over into the Public Schools. The second of these alternatives the Committee quite frankly regards as supremely desirable in itself, and since the choice lies with the Catholic parent the Committee feels no responsibility if that parent chooses the first alter-

May Close Down Entirely

If changes have occurred which make it impossible for a particular Separate School, if operated under the precise terms of the Act of 1863, to give anything resembling a decent education as compared with that imparted by the Public School, that is so much the better, in the view of the Committee. The Separate School will then lose a substantial number of its pupils or will close down entirely, and the Catholic pupils will go to the Public School; and it is perfectly obvious from every line of the Brief that the Committee regards this as a most desirable consummation. Its members have of course a perfect right to take this view, but I wonder if they fully appreciate the effect which their taking it has upon their fellow-Canadians who are not of the Protestant faith

The economic difficulties of Catholic education in Canada have always been incalculably greater than those of non-Catholic education. There are two reasons for this. One is the fact that Catholics have always been less wealthy per capita than non-Catholics in this country. The other is that in recent years, owing to their views on birth control, Catholics have had a larger number of children to educate than non-Catholics, in proportion to population. The "altered conditions" of today as compared with 1863 have not only done nothing towards remedying this handicap, they have actually added to it considerably. In 1863 the incorporated company

and the publicly owned corporation were almost unknown in Canada as holders of assessable property; practically all such property was held by individuals, usually resident in the school district where the property was located. The arrangement of 1863 therefore made no provision for the allotment to the Catholic panel of any proportion of the assessment on property owned by corporations or public authorities. The Committee shows no anxiety to arrange that the proportion of this property which is assignable to Catholic ownership shall pay its school taxes to Catholic schools; on the contrary it insists that no such allotment shall take place regarding the property of public-ownership corporations nor regarding the equity held by shareholders of other corporations who are Roman Catholics but reside outside of Ontario. Shareholders who are Roman Catholics but reside in Ontario may require their equity to be assessed for Separate Schools, but must give individual instructions to the company to that effect, a regulation which would inevitably leave a good many Catholic holdings to be taxed for the Public School system.

The principle relied upon by the Committee in support of this view is that stated by Egerton Ryerson in 1855, which is quoted at length in the Brief, and is in effect an assertion that the existence of Separate Schools is a nuisance to be abated by any and all constitutional means. The Committee notes that the conditions described by Ryerson "apply to edu-

cation in the United States and most of the Canadian provinces", and obviously regret that they do not fully apply in Ontario.

The extract from Ryerson's 1855 Report, quoted in the Brief, reads in part as follows: "If Public Schools are founded at the public expense and for the public good, no citizen can be separated from them without injury—injury in some degree to the Public Schools on the ground of support—but much greater injury to the



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as to permit any number of a religious persuasion to separate themselves from it, and even to give them public aid for a sectarian school, it is a favor granted them, on the ground of indulgence, but not on ground of constitutional right, since no religious sect has a constitutional claim to more than equal and impartial protection in enjoyment of access to the public institutions of the country."

It is however in the matter of French that the Committee shows even less inclination to understand the feelings of a part of the population of Ontario which is unquestionably as "Canadian" as any other part, though it does not happen to be of Anglo-Saxon or Celtic origin. Incidentally the Committee's amanuensis does not appear to be very conversant with the French idiom; we doubt the accuracy of his assertion that "School Section Number 2 becomes L'école deuxième nombre in Northern Ontario."

French-Language Culture

The chief desire of an overwhelming majority of French Canadians is to continue to belong to the special culture which their race has developed over more than three centuries, and which is fundamentally different from the predominant English-language culture of this continent. The French language is the most important preservative force that this culture possesses, and persons who are determined to remain within that culture are inevitably also determined to retain French as the most important vehicle of their thinking. This does not mean that if they move



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to Ontario or Saskatchewan they expect to make French an official language in the courts and legislatures of those provinces. But it does mean that they expect to retain French as the language of their domestic intercourse, and for that purpose to have it occupy quite a large place in the early years of the schooling of their children. They are prepared to learn English, but not as the basic language of their culture.

It is of course entirely possible to maintain that persons who desire to retain French as their culture-language should remain in the province of Quebec, where nobody can possibly raise any objection to their doing so. That is in effect the attitude of the Inter-Church Committee. But that is also the attitude which causes French Canadians to speak of themselves as

being "parked" or "fenced" in a "reservation", and as being therefore discriminated against as compared with the Canadian of English-language culture, who can and does remain within his culture anywhere in the Dominion, including Quebec.

The French in Ontario do not claim that French should be an official language in that province, or that their children should be exempt from learning an adequate amount of English for one who is to be a resident of an English-language province. But they do claim that their children should be allowed to grow up in the French culture of Canada and should not be forcibly transformed, by the deliberate policy of the educational system, into members of an English-language culture which they regard as alien.

The whole problem of Canadian unity depends largely upon the gradual softening down of such conflicts of fundamental concepts as these, and its solution is surely not advanced by the recommendation that "the English language should be the language of instruction" in all Ontario schools, including those specially formed for French-speaking pupils, from the first and every day throughout their school course, except when they are learning French as a subject, when the same rule should apply, that French only should be used by pupils and teacher in the hour, or less, each day devoted to this language". This is tantamount to a declaration that French shall not be the culture-language of anybody educated in Ontario. It is perfectly possible constitutionally, but is it wise? And above all, is it good Canadianism? For does it not amount to a declaration that a person whose culture-language is French, even though he may also speak perfect English, is not, in the eyes of the province of Ontario, as good a Canadian as a person whose culture-language is English?

And I hasten to add that the actual practice of the province of Ontario is very far from being what the Committee desires, and does actually permit, "in school sections where the French...language prevails," a large amount of instruction to be given in that language from the very beginning, and that the definition of sections where French "prevails" has of late become extremely wide. The Committee says there is a Frenchlanguage school in Toronto!

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THE French Foreign Minister said the other day that if the Allies could not agree on Germany they probably could not agree on anything; and only agreement on Germany could create the confidence necessary to settle other problems.

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power off against another, or that the Allies might end up by competing for German favor.

Just at this moment there comes along an immensely valuable book by the leading British member of the Allied Control Commission which tried to disarm Germany after the last war. I say "comes along", because it has actually been delayed some 20 years, being suppressed in 1925 in the interests of high policy, at the time of Locarno and Germany's entrance into the League. (It has been brought up to date).

However sad it is to think that the conclusions and advice in this report, so thoroughly borne out by events, were of no avail in preventing a second and greater German aggression (people wouldn't have believed him then, anyway, Morgan says) here it is to help us at a moment when a much more far-reaching solution of the German question is about to be made, one way or another.

No one who is concerned with the question of "what to do with Germany", of how to reform this people which has travelled so far along the road of national criminality, or of the dangerous use to which such a people, technically able but moral beachcombers completely cut adrift, could be put, can afford to miss reading "Assize of Arms."

It will be above all, to those who imagine that the reform of Germany is merely a matter of "denazification" that this book will be of the greatest value. The author's description—and it is rich everywhere in factual instances—of the Germany of 1919-25 is amazingly like the reports we are receiving from the Reich today.

"Germany reaped in demoralization what she had sown in agression...Depraved by cruelty, lust, bestiality, mutual hatred, cupidity and callousness, there was no one to remind them that God is not mocked." The Church had abdicated by its ignominious role during the war. There was no such thing as public opinion in Germany.

Morgan's Solution

The Universities had served as "the academic garrison of German militarism"; and the German Officers Corps was still "the shirt of steel to the body politic." The Republican Minister of Defence, Noske, having been an N.C.O., came to attention when addressed by his Reichswehr commander General Seeckt, the evil genius of German re-armament.

Morgan's long and well-organized chapters on the German Officers Corps, its tradition, training and dominant position in the national life, are the backbone of the book. His conclusion is that "we must either abolish the German nation or abolish the German Army. Since the German "nation", he believes, is "the artificial creation of the Prussian Army, abolition of the latter might solve the political problem, as the always latent particularist tendencies of the Germans would then reassert themselves, and Germany would break up into its parts.

Yet this is no more than a negative solution, the suppression of the evil of militarism. For any real reform of Germany surely there must be positive action in the moral field, the awakening of conscience and the assumption of individual responsibility, through a Christian revival. We would do well to look for this, rather than to election counts, for solid assurance that Germany can be reclaimed as a civilized community.

Even without Morgan's analysis of the German character as it was 20 years ago (and all of the worst German characteristics have been intensified since then) Vincent Sheean's thesis that the failings of the Versailles Treaty were responsible for all that followed would seem extremely naive.

Indeed, reading him recalls nothing so strongly to mind as Winston Churchill's suggestion that "the one thing history teaches is that mankind is unteachable." For Sheean himself admits that going into Cologne behind the American Army, expecting to find the remaining inhabitants 70 to 80 percent anti-Nazi or non-Nazi, he was appalled at what they said. All they had learned was that "poor Germany did not have enough aeroplanes to win. There was too much force against us."

"If these people, ordinary men and women, who had never much liked the Nazi fantasy and were its victims, had not learned their lesson, what hope was there for convincing the rest?" He found, in fact, that "German reasoning and German memory were in precisely the same state today as they were in 1922," when he first visited Germany.

Can Germans Learn?

Then he goes on to reveal that in $2\frac{1}{2}$ years with the American Army, as officer and newsman, he had never found among all the German prisoners or civilians he had questioned one single individual who had any sense of social responsibility in the vast historical crime of Hitlerism *Not one*.

In Cologne, "they wept among their ruins, not for the madness which led them out to conquer the world, but for the relative weakness which prevented their accomplishing that end...The stubborn and stupid people, forever at the mercy of any prince or fakir who could arouse their sense of superiority, lapsed into despair and self-pity when their efforts came to nothing."

I find myself wondering, not at the Germans, but at the appalling inability to learn manifested in these pages by Sheean himself. Here, he is arguing, long and earnestly, in this year 1946, which should be one of enlightenment, that it was the Treaty of Versailles which "set the terrible forces in motion."

The militarization of German society begun by Frederick the Great, the determination expressed by Bismarck to exclude from the country "those notions of humanity and civilization imported from England"—these had nothing to do with it.

No! If only a "just and honorable" peace had been based on the 14 Points, "Germany might have taken her place as a member of the free association of nations", and the Germans made over almost like the German-Americans.

Instead "the peacemakers created

that state of sullen and resentful disintegration in Germany which imperatively called for, and historically determined the rise of Adolf Hitler and the subsequent horror of the greater war."

If Sheean's "This House" doesn't help in the slightest to answer the question "what to do about the Germans?", it does raise a question "what to do about Sheean?"

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Sheean admits that in 1922 he was "passionately pro-German"; and that right up until 1939 he was convinced there were very strong anti-Nazi forces in Germany. In the 'thirties he was strongly pro-Soviet. But after the attack on Finland he made a sensation by denouncing the Soviets in The Nation as "fascists of the left."

He Ends in Appeasement

Now his confusion finds its end in appeasement. To save ourselves we must conquer our tender-heartedness over small nations ("which, if we come to the horrid truth, have caused most wars and never fought them out") and seek "the granite foundation of sense"-a world-wide deal with Russia.

Sheean is at least an honest man of goodwill, and he neither rants nor propagandizes. The authors of "The Great Conspiracy" are, however, indictable on all of these counts. Certainly a solid unbiased study of the conflict between the Western World and Bolshevist Russia since 1917 would be of considerable value at this moment, when we are trying to find a way to end it. Just as certainly this is not such a work.

One could indulge in rich satire over this version of "history." But historian Allan Nevins has already done that, to the tune of a full page in the New York Times Book Review. It will suffice to ask how much value any account of this conflict can have which does not once mention in its 433 pages, the Comintern?

The Allied Intervention in Russia in 1918-19 is a fact, and not one of which we are proud or happy. But there were other reasons for it than a reactionary impulse to overthrow a "workers' government." We couldnot have afforded ourselves the luxury of any such diversion in 1918, grappling as we were with the full might of Germany, concentrated upon us after the defection of Russia.

Intervention of 1919 Again

The Intervention-which was not in any case against "the Russian people", but against an extremist minority which had seized power after gaining only a quarter of the votes in the election of the previous year -had very solid and compelling military reasons. The fact that foreign support in the end discredited the elements we were aiding in Russia does not dispose of these reasons, but only adds a further proof to history's long record that foreign intervention is rarely effective.

Nor can it be proven in any way that democratic Britain, France and America intervened in Russia to re-establish the Tsarist tyranny, with which they had co-operated with considerable distaste. (Actually there was far greater idealism in the air in 1918 than today). It is notable that in scoffing at the hopes which we pinned on Kolchak, in particular, of establishing a free and liberal regime in Russia, the authors do not mention that Sir Bernard Pares, now igorous Soviet apol thought well enough of Kolchak to be his adviser on education.

The military reasons for the Intervention of 1918 don't look so foolish today. The immediate one was the supporting of those elements in Russia who would reopen the Eastern Front, without which our prospects of victory didn't look much brighter at that time than they would have in 1943, had the Soviets dropped out of the war then.

The deeper reason has been much too little appreciated by our public, which has been brought up on versions of the Intervention about as valid as Sheean's version of Versailles. That was, to forestall a German-Russian combination, which was

being advocated by Ludendorff and other German leaders, who had sent Lenin and Trotsky back to Russia.

This prospect was much more formidable then, led by a powerful and perhaps victorious Germany, than even today, when it is beginning to arise out of Soviet policy in a shattered and defeated Germany.

War's "Secret History"

The fact that, as "The Great Conspiracy" appears in print, attempting to prove that for 28 years the outside world has threatened Soviet Russia, it is Soviet imperialism which is intervening in neighboring countries all around Russia's vast perimeter, will not help to make the reader as contrite as he might have been, say three or four years ago, over the carefully selected reactionary opinions which the book presents. Our Lend-Lease aid to Russia occupies one and a half lines of type in the

Waverly Root is maintaining a stiff pace in bringing out, within a year of the end of the war, his third volume on its "secret" history. "Secret" is stretched a bit in its meaning here. A good many hitherto unpublished facts there are, but for the rest Mr. Root's "secret" is a con-siderable personal knowledge of the diplomacy of the war and an immense industry in gathering together all available published and privately circulated accounts. His habit of always questioning "why did they do brings out many interesting and ingenious deductions.

His main subjects, covering the year 1943, are the basic German plan of trying to draw a long-term victory even out of defeat, the background of the Casablanca Conference; endless material on the political imbroglio in North Africa, in which he believes State Department and Roose velt policy to have been entirely wrong; the story of the Italian surrender negotiations; and the Polish-Soviet break over the massacre of 10,000 Polish officers at Katyn, in which case Root appears more anti-Polish than pro-Soviet.

Altogether, the book presents a great amount of interesting material, thoroughly indexed.

Freya Stark's "East is West," published in the United States as "The Arab Island," is a beautifully written and richly illustrated account of war years spent by this famous British writer and traveller among the Arab peoples whom she knows and loves. It must have more space than is left to review it here, but in the meantime can be recommended without reserve to those who want to know more of

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able, compact explanation of "everything" in Japan. And for our final problem today, "France and Britain" (Oxford, \$2.00) is the usual lucid and comprehensive Chatham House treatment of the interests and emotions which attract or repel these two ancient countries, both considerably reduced in the world, and lately more than ever convinced that they had better get together, and quickly (As one noted Briton put it to me: No matter how much you may love the Bear, you don't want to be left in the cage alone with him!).



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CASABLANCA TO KATYN, by Waverley Root. (Saunders, \$6.50.) EAST IS WEST (The Arab Island), by Freya Stark. (Musson, \$4.00.)

THE French Foreign Minister said the other day that if the Allies could not agree on Germany they probably could not agree on anything; and only agreement on Germany could create the confidence necessary to settle other problems.

to settle other problems.

On the same day the State Department pointed out in a memorandum on the German question that Allied disagreement held the obvious dangers that Germany might be split apart, that Germans might capitalize Allied differences by playing one



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power off against another, or that the Allies might end up by competing for German favor.

Just at this moment there comes along an immensely valuable book by the leading British member of the Allied Control Commission which tried to disarm Germany after the last war. I say "comes along", because it has actually been delayed some 20 years, being suppressed in 1925 in the interests of high policy, at the time of Locarno and Germany's entrance into the League. (It has been brought up to date).

However sad it is to think that the conclusions and advice in this report, so thoroughly borne out by events, were of no avail in preventing a second and greater German aggression (people wouldn't have believed him then, anyway, Morgan says) here it is to help us at a moment when a much more far-reaching solution of the German question is about to be made, one way or another.

No one who is concerned with the question of "what to do with Germany", of how to reform this people which has travelled so far along the road of national criminality, or of the dangerous use to which such a people, technically able but moral beachcombers completely cut adrift, could be put, can afford to miss reading "Assize of Arms."

It will be above all, to those who imagine that the reform of Germany is merely a matter of "denazification" that this book will be of the greatest value. The author's description—and it is rich everywhere in factual instances—of the Germany of 1919-25 is amazingly like the reports we are receiving from the Reich today.

"Germany reaped in demoralization what she had sown in agression...Depraved by cruelty, lust, bestiality, mutual hatred, cupidity and callousness, there was no one to remind them that God is not mocked." The Church had abdicated by its ignominious role during the war. There was no such thing as public opinion in Germany.

Morgan's Solution

The Universities had served as "the academic garrison of German militarism"; and the German Officers Corps was still "the shirt of steel to the body politic." The Republican Minister of Defence, Noske, having been an N.C.O., came to attention when addressed by his Reichswehr commander General Seeckt, the evil genius of German re-armament.

Morgan's long and well-organized chapters on the German Officers Corps, its tradition, training and dominant position in the national life, are the backbone of the book. His conclusion is that "we must either abolish the German nation or abolish the German Army. Since the German "nation", he believes, is "the artificial creation of the Prussian Army, abolition of the latter might solve the political problem, as the always latent particularist tendencies of the Germans would then reassert themselves, and Germany would break up into its parts.

Yet this is no more than a negative solution, the suppression of the evil of militarism. For any real reform of Germany surely there must be positive action in the moral field, the awakening of conscience and the assumption of individual responsibility, through a Christian revival. We would do well to look for this, rather than to election counts, for solid assurance that Germany can be reclaimed as a civilized community.

Even without Morgan's analysis of the German character as it was 20 years ago (and all of the worst German characteristics have been intensified since then) Vincent Sheean's thesis that the failings of the Versailles Treaty were responsible for all that followed would seem extremely naive.

Indeed, reading him recalls nothing so strongly to mind as Winston Churchill's suggestion that "the one thing history teaches is that mankind is unteachable." For Sheean himself admits that going into Cologne behind the American Army, expecting to find the remaining inhabitants 70 to 80 percent anti-Nazi or non-Nazi, he was appalled at what they said. All they had learned was that "poor Germany did not have enough aeroplanes to win. There was too much force against us."

"If these people, ordinary men and women, who had never much liked the Nazi fantasy and were its victims, had not learned their lesson, what hope was there for convincing the rest?" He found, in fact, that "German reasoning and German memory were in precisely the same state today as they were in 1922," when he first visited Germany.

Can Germans Learn?

Then he goes on to reveal that in 2½ years with the American Army, as officer and newsman, he had never found among all the German prisoners or civilians he had questioned one single individual who had any sense of social responsibility in the vast historical crime of Hitlerism Not one.

In Cologne, "they wept among their ruins, not for the madness which led them out to conquer the world, but for the relative weakness which prevented their accomplishing that end...The stubborn and stupid people, forever at the mercy of any prince or fakir who could arouse their sense of superiority, lapsed into despair and self-pity when their efforts came to nothing."

I find myself wondering, not at the Germans, but at the appalling inability to learn manifested in these pages by Sheean himself. Here, he is arguing, long and earnestly, in this year 1946, which should be one of enlightenment, that it was the Treaty of Versailles which "set the terrible forces in motion."

The militarization of German society begun by Frederick the Great, the determination expressed by Bis-

marck to exclude from the country "those notions of humanity and civilization imported from England"—these had nothing to do with it.

No! If only a "just and honorable" peace had been based on the 14 Points, "Germany might have taken her place as a member of the free association of nations", and the Germans made over almost like the German-Americans.

Instead "the peacemakers created

that state of sullen and resentful disintegration in Germany which imperatively called for, and historically determined the rise of Adolf Hitler and the subsequent horror of the greater war."

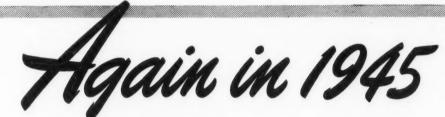
greater war."

If Sheean's "This House" doesn't help in the slightest to answer the question "what to do about the Germans?", it does raise a question "what to do about Sheean?"

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'Personal History." But he just doesn't make a political seer. And he doesn't establish his own position any better by going out of his way twice to cast scorn on one of the half dozen ablest political writers in the world, "Ludwig" (the name is Leopold) "Schwarzschild," as a person "without any adequate comprehen-sion of history." Gen. Morgan calls Schwarzschild's study of policy towards Germany between the wars, "World in Trance," "excellent"; and Winston Churchill presented a copy of it to every member of his cabinet.

Sheean admits that in 1922 he was 'passionately pro-German"; and that right up until 1939 he was convinced there were very strong anti-Nazi forces in Germany. In the 'thirties he was strongly pro-Soviet. But after the attack on Finland he made a sensation by denouncing the Soviets in The Nation as "fascists of the left."

He Ends in Appeasement

Now his confusion finds its end in appeasement. To save ourselves we must conquer our tender-heartedness over small nations ("which, if we come to the horrid truth, have caused most wars and never fought them out") and seek "the granite foundation of sense"—a world-wide deal with Russia.

Sheean is at least an honest man of goodwill, and he neither rants nor propagandizes. The authors of "The Great Conspiracy" are, however, in-dictable on all of these counts. Certainly a solid unbiased study of the conflict between the Western World and Bolshevist Russia since 1917 would be of considerable value at this moment, when we are trying to find a way to end it. Just as certainly this is not such a work.

One could indulge in rich satire over this version of "history." But historian Allan Nevins has already done that, to the tune of a full page in the New York *Times* Book Review. It will suffice to ask how much value any account of this conflict can have which does not once mention in its

433 pages, the Comintern?
The Allied Intervention in Russia in 1918-19 is a fact, and not one of which we are proud or happy. But there were other reasons for it than a reactionary impulse to overthrow a "workers' government." We couldnot have afforded ourselves the luxury of any such diversion in 1918, grappling as we were with the full might of Germany, concentrated upon us after the defection of Russia.

Intervention of 1919 Again

The Intervention-which was not in any case against "the Russian people", but against an extremist minority which had seized power after gaining only a quarter of the votes in the election of the previous year -had very solid and compelling military reasons. The fact that foreign support in the end discredited the elements we were aiding in Russia does not dispose of these reasons, but only adds a further proof to history's long record that foreign intervention is rarely effective.

Nor can it be proven in any way that democratic Britain, France and America intervened in Russia to re-establish the Tsarist tyranny, with which they had co-operated with considerable distaste. (Actually there was far greater idealism in the air in 1918 than today). It is notable that in scoffing at the hopes which we pinned on Kolchak, in particular, of establishing a free and liberal regime in Russia, the authors do not mention that Sir Bernard Pares, now thought well enough of Kolchak to be his adviser on education.

The military reasons for the Intervention of 1918 don't look so foolish today. The immediate one was the supporting of those elements in Russia who would reopen the Eastern Front, without which our prospects of victory didn't look much brighter at that time than they would have in 1943, had the Soviets dropped out of the war then.

The deeper reason has been much too little appreciated by our public, which has been brought up on versions of the Intervention about as valid as Sheean's version of Versailles. That was, to forestall a German-Russian combination, which was

being advocated by Ludendorff and other German leaders, who had sent Lenin and Trotsky back to Russia.

This prospect was much more formidable then, led by a powerful and perhaps victorious Germany, than even today, when it is beginning to arise out of Soviet policy in a shat-tered and defeated Germany.

War's "Secret History"

The fact that, as "The Great Conspiracy" appears in print, attempting to prove that for 28 years the outside world has threatened Soviet Russia, it is Soviet imperialism which is intervening in neighboring countries all around Russia's vast perimeter, will not help to make the reader as contrite as he might have been, say three or four years ago, over the carefully selected reactionary opinions which the book presents. Our Lend-Lease aid to Russia occupies one and a half lines of type in the

Waverly Root is maintaining a stiff pace in bringing out, within a year of the end of the war, his third volume on its "secret" history. "Secret" is stretched a bit in its meaning here. A good many hitherto unpublished facts there are, but for the rest Mr. Root's "secret" is a con-siderable personal knowledge of the diplomacy of the war and an immense industry in gathering together all available published and privately circulated accounts. His habit of always questioning "why did they do this?" brings out many interesting and ingenious deductions.

His main subjects, covering the year 1943, are the basic German plan of trying to draw a long-term victory even out of defeat, the background of the Casablanca Conference; endless material on the political imbroglio in North Africa, in which he believes State Department and Roosevelt policy to have been entirely wrong; the story of the Italian surrender negotiations; and the Polishbreak over the massacre of Polish officers at Katyn, in which case Root appears more anti-Polish than pro-Soviet.

Altogether, the book presents a great amount of interesting material, thoroughly indexed.

Freya Stark's "East is West," published in the United States as "The Arab Island," is a beautifully written and richly illustrated account of war years spent by this famous British writer and traveller among the Arab peoples whom she knows and loves. It must have more space than is left to review it here, but in the meantime can be recommended without reserve to those who want to know more of the Middle East today (and who doesn't?).

Captain Leo Heaps tells in "Escape from Arnhem," (Macmillan, \$3.00) a chatty story of one of the truly great epics of the war, and pays a warm tribute to the Dutch underground.

Maurice Hindus in "The Cossacks" (McClelland and Stewart, \$3.75) gives in his usually competent fashion the story of this colorful people, before and after the Soviets. His rebefore and after the Soviets. entry visa will remain safe.

John F. Embree's "The Japanese Nation" (Oxford, \$3.75) is an admir-

able, compact explanation of "everything" in Japan. And for our final problem today, "France and Britain" (Oxford, \$2.00) is the usual lucid and comprehensive Chatham House treatment of the interests and emotions which attract or repel these two ancient countries, both considerably reduced in the world, and lately more than ever convinced that they had better get together, and quickly (As one noted Briton put it to me: No matter how much you may love the Bear, you don't want to be left in the cage alone with him!).



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By J. N. HARRIS

MARY LOWREY ROSS has raised quite a storm in the Literary Guild at Balmy Beach, Ontario, with her statement that "Through the Looking Glass" is "probably the only sequel that ever approximated the success of its predecessor."

"What," we said at once, "of 'Huckleberry Finn'? There is a sequel that has far outstripped its predecessor, at least with serious Twainian scholars."

A woman drinking a coke thought that "Margery Dean, Junior," was much better than "Margery Dean, Sophomore.

She was quelled by a woman drinking a pineapple milkshake who said, "But, ah, 'Margery Dean, Freshman', "I have always considered 'Barch-

ester Towers' superior to 'The Warden'," said a little man who drinks his coffee black.

The woman with the coke looked up and said that "The Bobbsey Twins in a Houseboat" was better than "The Bobbsey Twins."

The barman said that "Siegfried" was better than "Die Walküre," and glared at the young man who had just selected "Onezy, Twozey" on the remote control Wurlitzer.



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He closed the place when the young man glared right back at him and said "Tom Swift and His Aeroplane" had beaten "Tom Swift and His Motorcycle" hollow.

Trudging homeward, we felt that Joseph Andrews had provided better entertainment than his sister Pamela, but could hardly be considered a sequel. "Paradise Regained" and "Henry IV, Part Two," certainly would support the Ross theory, but going back a long way, the Odyssey was more fun than the Iliad. Come to think of it, "Through the Looking Glass" did not come close to "Won-

derland" anyway, good as it was.

"Destry Rides Again," how about that? Or did anybody hear about Destry riding the first time? No, in the film world there can be no argument to put up against Mrs. Ross, unless you'd like to count the little sequel we saw to "The Informer."

Ouch, I didn't mean it, honest.

SOME really dreary little jokes crop yeight up spontaneously now and then, which cannot be overlooked because of their persistence. For instance, when the English Home Guard was first formed, it was called the L.D.V. (Local Defence Volunteers). It is said that hundreds of country clergymen looked up from the Times next morning and said, "They are called L.D.V., my dear, because we hope they'll give the Germans 'ell, D.V. Do you see, my dear? 'Ell, for Hell, D.V. meaning Deo, er, Deus, that is, God willing." Hundreds of wives are said to have left the breakfast table.

Just such another joke will probably crop up now that Mayor (can we regard him otherwise) LaGuardia has joined U.N.R.R.A.

"The little flower is asking for a little flour," they will say. "Flower, flour, Fiorello, get it?" It is an appalling thought.

Maybe we are behind the times. It may well have started before this.

IT is hard to see what possessed a statesmen and diplomats of the old school, that they should have saved their indiscretions for posthumous publication. Perhaps they were not hounded during their lifetime by agents of the Curtis Publishing Company, and tempted by great wads of folding money. Those who think that the old noblemen had too much aristocratic contempt for the canaille to want to sell them their memoirs forget (a) that the canaille could not read until recently, and (b) that they did not have enough money to buy two dollar books.

In the old days, Lord Moosejaw would roll down to the Foreign Office at eleven to read the Paris mail, eat a seven course lunch, and then go to the debate in the House of Lords for his afternoon nap. He settled the affairs of state sometime between the second bottle of port and four a.m., bickered, conspired, quarrelled and compromised with his conscience and other political enemies much as modern statesmen do. But most of the secret bickering remained locked in his bosom until, in his retirement, he started browsing through his secret journal and his letters, from which he extracted four fat volumes of memoirs. The memoirs seldom provoked more than an amazed

Nowadays the memoirs are sent to the publisher with a "hold for reline at the top, and manage to provoke any amount of free frontpage advertising. Recent days have produced three examples. Leon Trot-sky, like a gentleman of the old school, waited until he had been dead for several years before publishing his biography of Stalin, which, nevertheless, has made most front pages. Mr. Harry Butcher, Eisenhower's former aide, nearly made everybody in Canada mad at their new Governorgeneral. For Mr. Ralph Ingersoll's contribution to international goodwill, see The Bookshelf.

The new system is much better. It

satisfies our vulgar curiosity, and it must act as a beneficial deterrent on politicians to know that everything they say behind locked doors is going to be public domain as soon as somebody resigns in a huff.

It is with awed anticipation that we await Mr. Churchill's contribution to the present scrap. His handling of Lord Fisher and Admiral Bacon after the last war was pretty good. He uses phrases such as "squalid nuisance" and "tattered lackey," which enliven any argument. When Sir Thomas Inskip was appointed Minister of Defence, Churchill is reputed to have said, "It is the most remarkable political appointment since the Emperor Caligula appointed his horse to

a high imperial position."
That sort of thing will sell any book of memoirs; we predict that Mr. Churchill will win the present battle hands down, by the only certain and fair method of deciding it: net sales.

SPEAKING of international goodwill brings to mind the question that is troubling the sports page of P.M., Mr. Ralph Ingersoll's own paper, at the moment. It is the Jersey Law, a statute of the English Jockey Club which bars American horses from the English Turf. Worse, it insinuates that American racehorses are the products of irregular

unions and are really only Love Colts. *P.M.* claims that the rule was made as reprisal for the winning of the 1907 Derby by an American Horse, Orby. The columnist refers to the race, by

the way, as the English Derby.
As is the rule with international sporting arguments the P.M. writer drags in every old sporting argument he can think of, including the reputed rudeness of King Edward VII to Orby's owner, a recent British criti-cism of Byron Nelson, and the pitiful record of Phil Scott.

No doubt some patriotic British

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sports writer is now resurrecting the Gar Wood-Kaye Don case, the fouling of Wooderson, the Sopwith vs. Vanderbuilt business and Tommy Farr's moral victory over Joe Louis.

There is good precedent for government interference in this sort of The British had to take Larwood's bowling (still a sore point with the Aussies) under consideration, for fear that it would lead to Australia's

secession from the Empire. porter went all the way to Ranjitsinjhi's palace to ask him what he thought about it. The aged cricketer inquired politely, "Were not the Australian players provided with bats?" Australia was at once in favor of immediate independence for India, so that war could be declared.

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We suggest that Lionel Conacher, when he has finished performing in Dr. Healey Willan's opera, would make an excellent attaché.

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A High Church dignitary, in warmly assenting, said that he would go even further, and eliminate "mass" wherever it might occur. In future, therefore, he would refer to the Rev. Thomas Massey as the Rev. Tho-tide

What rhymes with Phileas?

SALLY the Spaniel, she whose eyes are like the fishpools of Heshbon by the gate of Bath Rabbi, who was last noted as an eater of pork kidneys, has become insectivorous. At the moment she is gaily hunting a fly over the day-bed in the study. Last night she caught her first fly of the season, after a chase lasting twenty minutes and covering most of the house. Although she will swallow a piece of meat about the size of your fist at one gulp, she chewed the fly delicately.

Sally has also discovered some silverfish around the fireplace, little gliding things that slide out between the stones. She will all the stones. She will sit and watch for nearly half an hour, ready to pounce. We are thinking of hiring her out by the hour.

THE writer on the Front Page of this paper who thought that margarine was the only English word in which "g" was soft when followed by an "a" has obviously never done any time in gaol.



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LONDON LETTER

Fining Builders Is Scarcely the Way to Expedite Housing Plans

By P.O'D.

London.

SEVEN years' penal servitude is a decidedly drastic sentence. It is the sort of penalty that is handed out for crimes like robbery with violence, attempted murder, embezzlement on attempted murder, embezziement on a very large or iniquitous scale. The other day it was decided to add to this special list one more crime rendering people liable to seven years in clink—the horrid crime of building without a proper licence! Alternatively you may be soaked 5,000. If you are a very determined and incorrigible builder, you might, I suppose, get both.

The Ministry of Works says that "a considerable amount of unescential building work is being carried."

sential building work is being carried out contrary to the building regu-lations", that it constitutes a sort of black market, and is jeopardizing the housing plans of the Government. The present penalties are regarded as inadequate, and so wicked builders are to be put on the rock-pile with a short and heavy hammer as a cure for their antisocial propensities.

If you want to get any work done on your property to the value of more than £10, you must get a special permit; and £10 in these days of the high cost of labor and materials goes just nowhere. If a private builder manages to wangle permission to build a few houses, none of them must cost over £1,200 in the country (£1,300 in London), though it is notorious that similar houses put up by local authorities cost far more. But naturally you can't send civic fathers to jail.

Another odd regulation-presuming that the building of houses is what we are all eager to encourage is that private building must be in proportion of one-to-four to the number of houses put up by local

authorities. The other day at Ilford, just outside London, work was stop-ped on a number of houses being built by a private firm of contractors, because they were in excess of this ratio.

The builders must now wait until the local authorities catch up. As the local authorities haven't yet really started, by all accounts, this may take some time. But, dash it all, in a properly organized Socialist world we can't have this nasty competitive business of people working too fast. What are a few extra houses compared to the purity of the faith?

Music Boom Ends

Music enjoyed in London something in the nature of a boom during the war—probably in other parts of the country, too. Psychologists can, no doubt, give weighty scientific reasons for this development, but the explanation may be the simple one that people felt the need of something that would lift their minds and hearts above the anx-ieties and hardships of the moment, and restore them to felicity and something for a little while serenity for a little while.

Whatever the reason, almost any whatever the reason, amost any kind of musical performance, or-chestral, chamber music, recitals by individual artists, all could count on packed and enthusiastic audiences. Now the boom seems to be coming to an end. Concerts are still well attended, but not so well as they were. There is an obvious slacking off in the popular demand. People do not seem to feel the same need of music as they did, though it can hardly be claimed that felicity and serenity are so much easier to attain than before.

Just a natural reaction perhaps,

the trough that follows the wave, but promoters of music are said to be worried about it. Tough-minded critics are suggesting that one way to get over the growing tendency to stay away from concerts and look for spiritual refreshment elsewhere is to make the concerts better.

During the war almost anything reasonably good was good enough. Programs were apt to be hackneyed, and there was not the same care in rehearsal and presentation. Human nature being what it is, even musical human nature, overworked players were inclined to take the easier way. But they won't be able to do that now. Competition will be keener and perhaps all to the good. Too much and too easy success is bad for any

Postwar Divorces High

Once upon a time in Scotland-for all I know, it may still be true—if you wanted to marry, you had only to take the fortunate or unfortunate lady before a group of your friends, and explain that you were man and wife. And you really were man and wife—just like that!

It begins to look as if something equally expeditious and inexpensive will have to be arranged in this country for those who wish to stop being man and wife. Otherwise they may have to languish in the shackles of matrimony for anything up to fifteen years, according to what the Lord Chancellor told the House of Lords the other day.

Apparently there are nearly 50,000 applications for divorce from the Fighting Services alone—didn't want to go on fighting, I suppose-and of these only 3,000 have so far been disposed of. There aren't enough judges, there aren't enough solicitors, there aren't even enough typists to deal with the cases, which are piling up like a log-jam in a lumber

The legal authorities are greatly worried about the position. If they aren't careful, a lot of these people may get impatient and become reconciled. Bad for business!

Old Friends Back

One distinguished evacuee to return to Town after five years or so in the country is King Charles I. With truly royal calm and courage he went through the first year of the blitz under a shelter of sandbags, but in 1941 he was taken off to the Earl of Rosebery's estate in the Midlands. Now he is home again, though not yet on his pedestal in Trafalgar Square, from which he used to gaze so thoughtfully down Whitehall, remembering old, far-off, unhappy things—as we staunch Jacobites like to believe.

It would be too much to say that the return was in the nature of a royal progress. Horse and rider were securely lashed on a lorrytrailer, and towed to the store-yard of the Ministry of Works to be cleaned and titivated before being put back in position. Also the pedestal must be tested and, if necessary strengthened, for it took some very stiff jolts from bombs that landed close by, and we really can't have anything more happen to King Charles' head.

No one can say that the statue of King Charles is a very impressive piece of monumental art, but the dumpy little man on the dumpy little horse has dignity and a quaint sort of charm. Everyone, I think, rejoice at its return to the familiar site in the whirlpool of traffic that roars about its base.

Coal or Flower-beds?

Lord Fitzwilliam is said to be the wealthiest nobleman in the Kingdom-or, at any rate, was before the Government took over his immense coal-holdings, As seems fit-ting, he owns the biggest house, Wentworth-Woodhouse, with its 365 rooms, its 1,000 windows, and its five miles or so of underground passages. The story goes that during one Doncaster race-meeting and house-party the butler wore a ped-ometer. It registered 54 miles for the four days.

Unfortunately for his domestic comfort, Lord Fitzwilliam can't get away from coal. It crops up all

over his beautiful park and his 60 acres of garden, or lies just under the velvet sward and the flower-beds. And Mr. Shinwell, the Minister of Fuel, has his wicked eye on that coal. Some 350,000 tons of it, they say, simply waiting for the excavators to scoop it up and the lorries to trundle it away. Too plentiful, too easy, too bad!

In a last-minute effort to save his park and gardens from spoliation,

Lord Fitzwilliam is making the place over to the National Trust. But it is doubtful if even that will deter the stern Mr. Shinwell, who says that it breaks his heart to do it, but he must have the coal. He may weep like anything to see the devastation, but he intends to gobble up such oysters, sorting out those of the largest size. And 35,000 tons is quite a nice fat oyster— as even Lewis Carroll would admit.

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THE WEEK IN RADIO

"Deirdre" Is Good Radio Opera **But Also Suitable for Stage**

By JOHN L. WATSON

THE world première of the Coulter-Willan opera, "Deirdre of the Sorrows," with all its shortcomings and imperfections was perhaps the biggest event in the history of Canadian broadcasting. "Deirdre" has already been comprehensively reviewed in the music columns of this paper but, since the production was almost completely ignored by the daily press, perhaps we shall not be considered presumptuous in adding a few critical words of our own.

To write a serious critique on a work of such immense proportions after only one hearing is a singularly difficult job. To attempt to appraise it accurately is nothing short of impertinent yet to ignore it would be unthinkable. Our observations, then, can be regarded only as expressing the immediate reactions of one listener out of (we hope) a very large

Having been commissioned by a broadcasting network to produce an opera especially for radio production, the librettist and the composer must surely have posed this question to each other: "Shall we write an opera intended exclusively for radio broadcast or shall we keep in mind the possibility that our work may one day be performed on the operatic stage before a live audience?" Then, with the true artist's contempt for half-measures, Mr. Coulter and Dr. Willan set about creating a work which would be not only entirely appropriate to the medium for which it commissioned but eminently suitable for visual presentation. That they attained an astonishing measure of success in this difficult enterprise

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must have been obvious to everyone who listened to the Easter Saturday

Following so closely on the heels of the regular Metropolitan Opera broadcasts, "Deirdre" could scarcely escape comparison with the venerable productions of that august body; nor could the listener help but feel that Mr. Coulter's libretto was a good deal easier to assimilate than most of the Met's classic scenarios. We venture to suggest that this was not due solely to the fact that "Deirdre" was sung in our own language. "Deirdre" is good radio opera, entirely compre-hensible to the ear alone without benefit of scenery or visible action. On the other hand, with little or no revision, "Deirdre" will be capable of brilliant performance on the operatic

Mr. Coulter's choice of subject was a sound one. "Deirdre" is a story of the barest simplicity with enough dramatic implications to make it good theatre but with none of the complexities of plot which make an epic like the "Ring" so difficult of comprehension. Mr. Coulter uses a clean, bare-boned, almost prosy line whose poetry lies rather in its imagery than in its accent. We couldn't help thinking that it is often too long a line to admit of entirely appropriate musical treatment; that the musical sentences had to be stretched to their very limits to encompass the breadth of the figures of speech. Therein, of course, lies the essential difficulty of setting the Irish idiom to music. The English language as spoken by the Irish poets is as near to pure music as anything could be paradoxically enough, it must be the devil's own job to imprison its cadences within the confines of regularly accented musical measures.

If we had any other criticism to direct at Mr. Coulter's libretto it would be that the level of the dra-matic action is constantly sustained at such a terrible pitch of emotional intensity as to be positively overpowering. From the first word to the last, the fateful story marches to its predestined conclusion with never a halt; a characteristic perhaps better suited to Greek tragedy than to opera, staged or broadcast. After all, even Shakespeare was not above introducing a drunken buffoon of a porter to give his audience spite from the grim inevitability of Macbeth's slaughterous progress. The injection of a little comedy might have given even more point to the tragedy of Deirdre.

Outstanding Composition

Dr. Willan's musical setting of the was the crowning proof (if proof be needed) that we have in Canada at least one composer of the very highest order. Both the treatment of the vocal parts and the accompanying orchestration were magnificent. Dr. Willan is the absolute master of his craft; scholarly and erudite yet perfectly at home in the savage Druidical atmosphere of ancient Ireland.

"Deirdre," to the best of our knowledge, is Dr. Willan's first excursion into the airy realms of opera. impossible not to sense, as the music progressed, his increasing assurance in this new medium. The lessons he learned in composing the first act served him well in the last.

We could have wished that some of the long passages of recitative had been broken up by the introduction of an occasional aria (there were only four in the entire opera) and that the voices of the protagonists had in places been more closely integrated. This would have resulted in more frequent changes of pace and the odd moment of monotony would have been avoided.

It is to be expected that the much-berated C.B.C. will be criticized for spending such a sizeable chunk

of the taxpayers' money on a production with relatively little "popular appeal"-a criticism which, we trust, they will treat with true C.B.C. con-

With all respect to Dr. Willan and Mr. Coulter, we hope that other Canadians will one day write operas as good as, or, if possible, better than, "Deirdre." We have a mark to aim at now. Canadian music has grown

Music for Europe

Having demonstrated to Canadians at home the importance of their country's music, the C.B.C. are now to have the opportunity of showing it off in Europe against the stiffest possible competition.

The commission have announced that Mr. Jean Beaudet, their supervisor of music, has left by air for Czechoslovakia where he has been invited by the Czech government to conduct the Prague Symphony Orchestra in a program of Canadian music. This concert is to be part of the International Music Festival, an event of considerable importance in pre-war days. This is the first time Canada has been invited to take part and the program Mr. Beaudet has chosen to conduct will be heard by the musical great of almost every nation in the western world.

While he is in Europe, Mr. Beaudet will visit broacasting stations in Lon-

don, Paris, Amsterdam and Brussels in order to size up the effectiveness, or otherwise, of the C.B.C.'s International Service short-wave broad-

Concert Hour

That pleasant program of light symphonic music, rather inaccurately titled "The C.B.C. Concert Hour", will be extended, beginning May 3rd, to a full hour period and will be heard over the Trans-Canada network on Friday evenings at 8.00 p.m. instead of on Wednesday, as previously. For the first few concerts the orchestra will be under the baton of Alexander Brott, the brilliant young Canadian composer-pianist whose composition. 'War and Peace", was awarded a prize by the Composers, Authors and Publishers Association. His guest on the opening broadcast will be our old and faithful friend, Anna Malenfant.

Czech Opera

On Friday, May 4th, 1945, the same day the war ended for the Canadian troops in Europe, the Czech underground movement began its armed uprising against the German forces of occupation. To celebrate the first anniversary of this happy event, the C.B.C. will present a special performance of Anton Dvorak's popular opera, "Rusdlka," over the Trans-Canada and French networks. The

whole performance will be sung in Czech and will star Walter Schmolka, the celebrated Czech baritone who is now head of the Czechoslovakian Division of the C.B.C. International Service. Jan Mazaryk, president of the republic, will be heard speaking from Prague.

All those people (and they must be legion) who have a penchant for the late Eric Knight's lugubrious Yorkshire characters should tune in to the Buckingham Theatre "Curtain Time" broadcast on Wednesday, May 8th (C.B.C.—Trans-Canada), when the famous comedy, "Cockles for Tea", will be presented. The story has been adapted for radio by Alan King and features, among others, that redoubtable "elocutionist" of Little Albert fame, George Patton.

SETTING A FASHION

THIS business of conducting without a score has a curious origin. It is due mainly to the fact that Toscanini's eyesight is poor and he be-came compelled some time ago to conduct without the score. This he offsets by studying his scores with the utmost care until he really knows them. The great Italian's misfortune was turned into a fad, and nowadays most conductors of position consider it their duty to avoid being seen in public with a score. -Paul Henry Lang in The Saturday

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Meanwhile Solon has become a man of property, a banker of the "old

school" seeing with distaste the reck-less speculation of his fellow Directors and finally bringing in an official of the U.S. Treasury to compel a greater coverage of collateral against kite-flying loans. It seems to him that every principle of the good life is violated by all men, even by the children he reared in love and hope. Disillusioned, he resigns from the Bank and goes into retirement, while one of his business associates asserts that the man's principles "are too high for these times.

In old age, while walking in his garden he perceives on a rose-bush a dragon-fly—a jewelled creature marvellous in color and design-and begins to appreciate that many things which he thought he had understood he did not understand at all. The God of love and righteousness was also the God of beauty.

There is no humor in the tale, but the gleam of irony is everywhere. Thus Dreiser condemns the narrowness of one admirable belief and the hateful rot of no belief. Thus he denounces at once self-righteousness and no righteousness, other-worldliness and materialism, misdirected affection and plain folly.

Each character is rounded and complete in thought, speech and action and while the style is pedestrian and often short of grace, the architecture of the tale is of distinguished quality and the spirit of pity illuminates it

Sir Oracle Speaks By JOHN H. YOCOM

TOP SECRET, by Ralph Ingersoll. (McLeod, \$3.75.)

THE "crusading" editor of P.M. of New York raises the hackles of Canadian and British soldiers with sensational charges of mismanagement within the Allied second front command. His thesis is that since the British were so clumsy and de-ceptive in war, Americans should be wary about working out the peace with them, and that Great Britain is now attempting to commit the U.S. to an anti-Russia policy. He selects only facts that support this thesis, mostly from the miscellaneous information he picked up while with G-3 (Plans and Operations) of the U.S.

Ingersoll condemns the British for being the defeatist half of OVER-LORD planning staff and for causing most of the "snafus." His whole account is developed on this anti-British sentiment; how the British variously strove to postpone D-day, got Roosevelt to name Eisenhower, who had been an Anglophile in North Africa and whom Ingersoll doesn't consider a general but a "chairman of the board.'

After the landing is secured, Ingersoll sees the whole operation of defeating Germany merely by conquering the enemy opposite Bradley's 12th Army Group. Bradley, not Montgemery, should have had the priorities. Ingersoll forgets that the

Ross Munro, author of "Gauntlet to Overlord" which won the Governor-General's Award for non-fiction.

toughest panzer and S.S. divisions were facing the Canadians and Bri-Seventy-five yard runs make football but letting Patton plunge deep into Germany before Caen, Falaise, Scheldt Estuary, etc., were settled would have been foolish

The editor's whitewashing of Brad-ley's responsibility for the Ardennes breakthrough is plainly silly. The thing occurred because of (1) poor intelligence by the 9th and 1st U.S. Armies, and (2) Bradley's not passing to Eisenhower and Montgomery's 21st Army Group any information on a German offensive. Contrary to what Ingersoll says, Monty didn't get out of Holland to save British skins in those days but to put his Desert Rats as backstops at Liège and Namur, in case Patton didn't reach Bastogne and Von Rundstedt's bulge couldn't be whittled.

Ingersoll can never be an analyst of high international politics and war planning with such schoolboy peevish-

Towards The North

THE NORTHLAND, ONTARIO, by O. T. G. Williamson, (Ryerson, \$1.50.)

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m O}$ most people in the southern reaches of Ontario knowledge of the region north of Sudbury is fragmentary and often starred with curious errors. The author of this book, who is well known to the readers of SATURDAY NIGHT, has known the region intimately for forty years and here, in the compass of about a hundred pages, sets down the history of discovery, progress and prospect in mining, lumbering and agriculture in a most interesting manner. Persons in doubt about where to go for an instructive and enjoyable holiday should read this book. They might get ideas.

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A Close-Up of General Eisenhower Facing His Sea of Troubles

Y THREE YEARS WITH EISEN-HOWER, by Captain Harry C. Butcher, U.S.N. (Musson, \$5.00)
SIR," said Dr. Johnson, "Does anybody ever read all a book?" Horse

body ever read all a book?" Here a record in diary form which runs to 876 pages plus an obese index, and any one with a lot of time on his hands might well be excused for reading it all. For the style is colloquial, such as any American college man might use in a "bull-session." The theme is the daily life and trouble of a soldier who had the most notable command in all history, the armies, navies and air forces of two great nations differing radically in all cus-toms and outlook, but pursuing one aim; that of beating tyranny into the

Eisenhower had the colossal task of fusing into one the conflicting views of President and Prime Minister, of this general and that, of this admiral and that; not in main policies, of course, but in thousands of contributory details. It took a man of settled character, humorous under-standing and nickel-steel nerves to be equal to the demand.

How he faced the problems of every day is told in this companionable book, written by a naval aide who had een on reserve when appointed as dus Achates to the Commander in Chief, first in North Africa-in the

Darlan business, then in Italy—in the Badoglio trouble, then in London and

France, to the final glory.

Concerning the Canadian armed forces there are a few points of special interest. After Mountbatten's report on the Dieppe raid in which 6,000 troops were engaged, fifty of whom were Americans, Eisenhower was asked to decorate four of the American rangers for conspicuous gallantry. He replied that he wouldn't bestow medals on the Americans until after the Canadians, British and fighting French had been de-corated, since "the tail shouldn't wag the dog."

The request of General McNaughton for permission to visit the Canadian division in Sicily had been denied by General Alexander commanding the British Fifteenth Army Group for two reasons; (1) that transport-ation was not available, and (2) that to entertain a distinguished visitor during active operations would inter-

fere with the work of staff officers. When Eisenhower discussed the diplomatic side of the dispute with Alexander, the latter saw no reason to change his opinion, and the Commander in Chief felt obliged to respect his judgment especially, as he had no wish to intrude in "a family matter" between Great Britain and Canada.

Under the date of November 3, 1944 the diarist wrote: "I was at Ike's office today when the good news came in from Monty that the approaches to Antwerp and the Scheldt Estuary are now completely free from enemy interference. Ike im-mediately expressed his thanks to Monty personally, and asked him to convey his congratulations to General Crerar and his First Canadian Army."

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For The Youngest

WATCH THE KITTEN GROW by William Hall; Pictures by Ruth Carroll. (Oxford, \$1.25)

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War After Peace

A FRENCHMAN MUST DIE, a novel, by Kay Boyle. (Musson, \$3.00.)

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The Unknown Country

THE STORY OF BURMA, by F. Tennyson Jesse. (Macmillans, \$3.50.)

MARVEL of diligence is Miss A Jesse. Turning aside for a while from novels she writes here a history of Burma at once informing, enter-taining and even thrilling. For this beautiful land has had more than its just share of bloody tyranny and outrage. Only after the British moved in on Thibaw and his professional executioners did the land have comparative rest.

Miss Jesse questions the wisdom of the policy of uniting the country to India. The differences between In-

dians and Burmese are too great in all respects. These differences she outlines with respect to religion, education and temperament. She deals with the retreat before the Japanese, the scarcity of "quislings", and the Battle of Manipur which put a period to Japanese success. Altogether, a book well done.

BURMA SURGEON RETURNS, by Dr. Gordon S. Seagrave. (McLeod,

Dr. Seagrave's sequel to "Burma Surgeon" is in the same chatty vein as the former book and re-introduces his body of gay and competent Burmese nurses who took the long trail with Stilwell to the comparative safe-ty of China. Here they are on the return trip, past corpses and skeletons without number, but gallant and uncomplaining as before.

Converted Lamb

CHARCOAL, by Lloyd Coe. (Oxford,

THIS is the tale, for small persons, of the black lamb that had a most unpleasant disposition, even after he had rolled in whitewash to make himself presentable in the rest of the allwhite flock. But a flash of charity came over him and he stood out in the rain to protect some bunnies. Virtue was its own reward. And how!

Italy at War

WITH THE ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY, by Edward Seago, (Collins,

THE author of this fascinating quarto of 100 pages is a British artist who followed the Eighth Army

as a freelance from Florence to Ravenna, interpreting in color or in sepia wash the drama of every day. Ruin and peace are in eternal contrast in these vivid pictures. The artist explains in some detail what he was trying to do and there is an appreciative introduction by Viscount Al-

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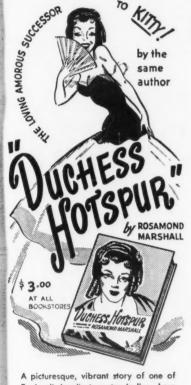
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Coast-to-Coast Musical Activity **During First Postwar Season**

By JOHN H. YOCOM

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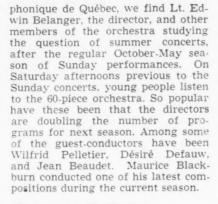
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During July and August will be held the summer concerts on the terrace on Mount Royal's cool summit. As many as 8,000 people have attended a single concert, while outside the barricades have huddled poorer and thriftier souls listening to the worth-

while music. In Montreal is one of the oldest music clubs in Canada, the Ladies' Morning Musical Club, founded in It continues to develop and contribute to the musical life of the The group has introduced to Montreal, and sometimes to Canada, many world-renowned artists. The current season has included Jennie Tourel, Robert Goldsand, Martial Singher, Rudolf Serkin, Leslie Holmes, Schola Cantorum of the Grand Seminary of Montreal, and Zino Francescatti. Chamber music and deservedly—has always had a special place in the work of the club. An educational feature is the halffee student membership, giving young musicians an opportunity to hear fine artists.

Young Philharmonic

The two-year-old Ottawa Philharmonic orchestra already has had two winter series of 5 concerts each and four Pop concerts last summer. Guest artists this past season have included Gyorgy Sandor, Isaac Stern and Jean Dickenson. The summer series, sponsored by the A. J. Freiman department store, broke all attendance records for musical events in the capital city. It is hoped that the Pons will be reneated this year Allard de Ridder, internationally known conductor and formerly with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, is the regular conductor.

The busy musical season in Ottawa reached a high peak with the major presentation of Handel's "Messiah" during Holy Week, the fifth performance of the work by the Ottawa Choral Union during the last four years. A capable orchestra of Ottawa musicians supported the 150 singers under the leadership of able conductor W. Allister Crandall. The soloists, Audrey Farnell, soprano, and Joseph Laderoute, tenor, have now sung in Ottawa for the Choral Union on several occasions. Evaleen K. Dunlop, contralto, won great

acceptance, as did baritone Robert Grooters of Philadelphia in his Canadian debut. This season the Choral Union has performed Bach's "Christ-mas Oratorio", Stanford's "Revenge", Elgar's "For the Fallen", and John Ireland's "These things Shall Be".

The winter season in Toronto has been replete with 56 concerts by the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, special programs by the Mendelssohn Choir, including presentations of Elgar's "Dream of Gerontius" and Bach's "St. Mathew Passion," fortnightly recitals at the Conservatory, the Casavant Society's series of organ recitals, and dozens of other organizations' events. Outstanding musical performances were presented by musical groups associated with business organizations — Gilbert and Sullivan by the Canada Packers Operatic Society, "Floradora" by the Eaton Choral Society, and a general concert by the Dunlop Tire and Rubber Choral Society.

Proms Again

The 24 Prom Concerts in Varsity Arena by the Toronto Philharmonic orchestra, commencing May 7, will be the weekly musical attractions for the coming season. Tentative plans for guest-artists include pianist Percy Grainger, dancer Pauline Koner, soprano Jean Dickenson, tenor Donald Dame, contralto Portia White and tenor Mario Lanza. Baritone Igor Gorin will sing on May 7 with Fritz Mahler conducting the orchestra.

Since the Proms were started 12 years ago, the attendance has been ,355,400. During last summer's series 118,290 citizens and visitors attended; 143 musicians were given summer employment, including 59 who play during the winter season with the T. S. O. Each year during the war 16 broadcasts of one hour's duration were recorded and sent overseas. Servicemen were given 8,000 free tickets. The orchestra raised over \$20,000 for war charities.

Next week we shall continue our musical sample survey at Brantford,

Master Artists

Two piano recitals of outstanding merit took place in Toronto last week one by the Czech Rudolf Firkusny, the other by the British pianist and Empire adjudicator Lloyd Powell.

Perhaps in technique and sheer brilliance the younger man had the slightest edge on white-haired Powell, but the latter gave more evidences of pianistic poetry. The two recitals could have constituted an object course for master piano classes. Unfortunately attendances at both

Firkusny has simply mastered the piano; and although at times-especially in something like the Stravin-sky "Petrouchka" ballet music or the Chopin Barcarolle-a listener may detect bravura, in its tonality his art shows high-purposed concepts. Hearing his Mozart Sonata in C major and Chopin's Etudes and Ballade one knows that sincerity has super-

seded sensation and fireworks.

In César Franck's Prelude, Chorale and Fugue, Powell played with the subtlest inflections and colors. Of course, a graduate student might have taken the same care. But Powell showed an additional deep logic of the interpretative plan, which only a master pianist can catch.

The Britisher included quieter numbers—Ireland's "Amberley Wild Brooks", Debussy's "Cloches a travers les feuilles", and Poulenc's "Pastourelle" in the second half of his program, ended with the Chopin group. Firkusny played sensational music of his countrymen - Smetana, Martinu, Janacek-and Stravinsky's ballet music in his second half. He didn't permit his audience to cease marvelling until his first encore, Chopin's Waltz, Op. 64, No. 2. Then listeners could relax and sit back from the edge of their seats.

Dedication

In her Toronto recital a fortnight ago, Portia White, majestically tall colored contralto of Halifax, was being applauded repeatedly after singing a group of English ballads and Negro spirituals. Portia returned with accompanist Wolfgang Rose. The audience became hushed. Spoke Portia: "I want to dedicate my next song, 'Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees', to Miss Edith Read of Branksome Hall." Why the dedication? That sent newsmen and -women snooping.

It seemed that Miss Read heard Portia sing for the first time in their home town of Halifax five years ago. Although Miss Read "didn't know a thing about music", she hurried to Toronto to engage Eaton Auditorium for her discovery. There on November 7, 1941, Portia White had her Canadian début. Miss Read's pupils at Branksome had sold tickets to insure a full house. "Portia should have been pushed on the stage years ago", said Miss Read. In March, two years

ago, she made her début in New York's Town Hall. The audience stood up and applauded.

Portia White belongs to a talented family. Her father was an athlete, a doctor of divinity, and in World War I the first negro chaplain in the British Empire. Her married sister has done considerable composing Sister Yvonne, like Portia, studies singing. Nephew Ernest at the age of 2 had perfect pitch.

Portia's old teacher, tense and sharp-eyed Dr. Ernesto Vinci, was standing in the wings of Massey Hall's stage during her recent concert. He heard her sing two arias which he had probably taught herone from Ponchielli's "La Gioconda" and Donizetti's "Au Fernando". Last week she gave a concert in Balti.

Miss White's contralto voice has beautiful tone, range, purity; lessons, practice and Dr. Vinci have seen to those things. But there is a warmth of personality-at times even a fire in her singing, for which character and friends like Miss Read have had a lot of responsibility.

Short Notes

Gordon Thompson, Toronto music publisher, while acting Master of Ceremonies for a ship's concert on the Aquitania recently, introduced Shane Alexander, 10-yearold son of the Governor General, in ways his first public piano performance.

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Frances Dutton, mezzo-soprano by an from Vancouver, gave her New quite York début recital at Times Hall last for I month before an audience warmly appreciative of her sincere and intelligent performance. She sang a program in Italian, English, German French and Spanish including numbers by Handel, Schubert and Respighi. N. Y. Times critic reported Miss Dutton "disclosed a warmth and delicacy of feeling with generally excellent vocalization that achieved a representation really musical result."

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THE FILM PARADE

The Religious and Period Film Are Today's Best Box Office

By MARY LOWREY ROSS

THE smart money these days, from the producer's point of view, eems to lie in presenting either reigious films or costume drama; and ne genius who could combine the wo forms in a single production would probably be in a position to orer specifications for his new swimning pool before the cameras even tarted rolling.

From the rational point of view the creen has just as much right to ex-loit religion as history; so the faint reep of distaste one feels at the comercialized reverence and the holy ut awfully knowing camera-lighting f some recent films may just be set own to old-fashioned prejudice. till there it is, and sometimes when get a sense of irrational depression nd trace it back to its source, I find rises from nothing more than the prospect of having some day to sit hrough that divine far-off event, the ship's spectacular screen presentation of Mr. Lloyd Douglas's "The Robe."

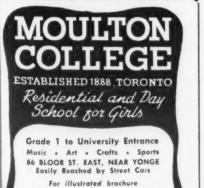
A film like "Going My Way" is al-

ral, in ways acceptable because it is filled with warmth and feeling and lighted by an odd sense of character. It was quite obvious that, in making it, Direcor Leo McCarey was so deeply absorbed in the material itself that material ends hardly came into his calculation. By comparison its sucessor "The Bells of St. Mary's" is as bylous in its appeal as the rattling of

Since films with religious "treatment" are so clearly in demand we re probably in for an almost endless ycle of them. So we might as well take what pleasure we can from them nerely as entertainment, without being too squeamish about their air of lossy dedication, or too irritably ware that from the Hollywood point of view thar's gold in them thar hills

Costume Detail

The charm of period pictures, apart om the fact that they allow us to cape from our own deplorable cenry, is that they provide a variety of story without tears. The screen



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may be just as arbitrary about human behavior in the Eighteenth Century as in the Twentieth; but at least the details of costume, furnishings and interiors are as accurate as a toiling army of researchers can make them. Thus you may discover from a film like "Kitty" how the well-dressed man of the Eighteenth Century carried his pocket-handkerchief (he trailed it from his lower right-hand pocket). You will have to make up your own mind, however, about whether Gainsborough actually painted the Blue Boy to spite an elderly colleague or whether some bright mind in the studio thought up the idea as a way of introducing a familiar cultural landmark into the picture.

Dirty Face

"Kitty" here is played by Paulette Goddard, probably the only actress in Hollywood who can look attractive with her hair uncombed and a dirty face. "Kitty," a Cockney waif, is picked up by Thomas Gainsborough who makes her wash her face and then reproduces her on canvas as a period beauty. After that she passes into the keeping of a bankrupt peer (Ray Milland), who in less time than it takes to believe teaches her to pick up her dropped aspirates and enunciate in the pear-shaped tones of a born lady. The motives of Kitty's benefactor are as low as possible he wants to marry her off to a duke and cut in on the marriage settlement. He is a deplorable heel, so Kitty loves him devotedly and lets him in hand-somely on the profits of her marriages her husbands drop off like flies.

Eventually, however, she loses her patience with her mercenary young man and cuts him off without a shilling just as she is about to marry another Duke, owner of the larger part of Scotland. This brings him round in no time, but it is hardly worth while speculating on the motives behind his reform since he is never permitted to be anything except a cardboard lover of a very inferior

Paulette Goddard succeeds in enlivening the story to certain extent with her vitality and high spirits, but for the most part "Kitty" is just the Pygmalion legend done in a series of period tableaux. The production is highly elaborate but in spite of the obvious care that has been taken to reproduce the period the extravag-ance suggests Hollywood of the Twentieth Century rather than London in the Eighteenth.



Dutch youngsters in England for a rest and in order to restore their health were guests of British Boy Scouts and made use of their camps. A group of them are seen here at a camp in Hertfordshire. Evidently that stew smells good to them.

SWIFT REVIEW

THE ROAD TO UTOPIA. Another in the Bing Crosby-Bob Hope-Dorothy Lamour travelogue series. As usual it goes out of its way to make as little sense as possible and is generally suc-

A WALK IN THE SUN. Story of a G. I. beach landing at Salerno. A vivid and memorable film in spite of some slickness in characterization.

THE SAILOR TAKES A WIFE. A routine comedy made beguiling by the performances of Robert Walker

and June Allyson.
THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S. Follow-up to "Going My Way," with Ingrid Bergman substituting for Barry Fitzgerald. Any resemblances to the original film are not coinciden-

THE HARVEY GIRLS. Judy Garland as an idealistic Harvey waitress and Ray Bolger as himself make this big and rather foolish musical pleasant entertainment.

VACATION FROM MARRIAGE. Pleasant English comedy in which Robert Donat and Deborah Kerr take a refresher course in how to be happy though married



Ettore Mazzoleni, associate conductor of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, who conducted the recent performance of the first full-length Canadian opera, "Deirdre of the Sorrows", (libretto by John Coulter and music by Dr. Healey Willan), is seen here at the opera's broadcast by the C.B.C. with Frances James, soprano, who sang the principal role. William Morton (right) was male lead and sang the romantic tenor role of Naisi.



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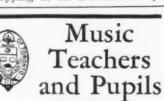
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phonique de Québec, we find Lt. Edwin Belanger, the director, and other members of the orchestra studying the question of summer concerts, after the regular October-May season of Sunday performances. On Saturday afternoons previous to the Sunday concerts, young people listen to the 60-piece orchestra. So popular have these been that the directors are doubling the number of programs for next season. Among some of the guest-conductors have been Pelletier, Désiré Defauw, and Jean Beaudet. Maurice Black-burn conducted one of his latest compositions during the current season.

Montreal's Orchestra

The present series of Les Concerts Symphoniques of Montreal started last October and will finish on May 15. During that time the orchestra, under Désiré Defauw, will have given 10 double concerts and 8 children's matinées. Top-flight names stud the list of visiting artists. Conductors have included Vladimir Golschmann, Walter, and Fritz Busch; among the soloists have been pianist Alexander Brailowsky, violinist Zino Francescatti, pianists Robert Casadesus, Rudolf Serkin and Artur Rubinstein, cellist Gregor Piatigorsky. The last concert in May will be Verdi's "Requiem," with Dr. Defauw conducting and Met stars Vivian Della Chiesa, Hertha Glatz, Mario Berini and Nicolas Moscona as soloists. The 8 symphonic children's matinées are being directed by Mr. Wilfrid Pelletier, whose ability to pack so many activities into one man's career, is truly amazing.

During July and August will be held the summer concerts on the terrace on Mount Royal's cool summit As many as 8,000 people have attended a single concert, while outside the barricades have huddled poorer and thriftier souls listening to the worthwhile music.

In Montreal is one of the oldest music clubs in Canada, the Ladies' Morning Musical Club, founded in 1892. It continues to develop and contribute to the musical life of the city. The group has introduced to Montreal, and sometimes to Canada, many world-renowned artists. The current season has included Jennie Tourel, Robert Goldsand, Martial Rudolf Serkin, Leslie Singher, Schola Cantorum of the Holmes. Grand Seminary of Montreal, and Zino Francescatti. Chamber music and deservedly—has always had a special place in the work of the club. An educational feature is the halffee student membership, giving young musicians an opportunity to hear fine artists.

Young Philharmonic

The two-year-old Ottawa Philharmonic orchestra already has had two winter series of 5 concerts each and four Pop concerts last summer. Guest artists this past season have included Gyorgy Sandor, Isaac Stern and Jean Dickenson. The summer series, sponsored by the A. J. Freiman department store, broke all attendance records for musical events in the capital city. It is hoped that the Pops will be repeated this year. Allard de Ridder, internationally known conductor and formerly with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, is the regular conductor.

The busy musical season in Ottawa reached a high peak with the major presentation of Handel's "Messiah" during Holy Week, the fifth performance of the work by the Ottawa Choral Union during the last four years. A capable orchestra of Ottawa musicians supported the 150 singers under the leadership of able conductor W. Allister Crandall. The soloists, Audrey Farnell, soprano, and Joseph Laderoute, tenor, have now sung in Ottawa for the Choral Union on several occasions. Evaleen K. Dunlop, contralto, won great

acceptance, as did baritone Robert Grooters of Philadelphia in his Canadian début. This season the Choral Union has performed Bach's "Christmas Oratorio", Stanford's "Revenge", Elgar's "For the Fallen", and John Ireland's "These things Shall Be".

The winter season in Toronto has been replete with 56 concerts by the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, special programs by the Mendelssohn Choir, including presentations of Elgar's "Dream of Gerontius" and Bach's "St. Mathew Passion," fortnightly recitals at the Conservatory, the Casavant Society's series of organ recitals, and dozens of other or-Outstanding ganizations' events. musical performances were presented by musical groups associated with business organizations - Gilbert and Sullivan by the Canada Packers Operatic Society, "Floradora" by the Eaton Choral Society, and a general concert by the Dunlop Tire and Rubber Choral Society.

Proms Again

The 24 Prom Concerts in Varsity Arena by the Toronto Philharmonic orchestra, commencing May 7, will be the weekly musical attractions for the coming season. Tentative plans for guest-artists include pianist Percy Grainger, dancer Pauline Koner, soprano Jean Dickenson, tenor Donald Dame, contralto Portia White and tenor Mario Lanza. Baritone Igor Gorin will sing on May 7 with Fritz Mahler conducting the orchestra.

Since the Proms were started 12 years ago, the attendance has been 1.355,400. During last summer's series citizens and visitors attended; 143 musicians were given summer employment, including 59 who play during the winter season with the T. S. O. Each year during the war 16 broadcasts of one hour's duration were recorded and sent Servicemen were given overseas. 8,000 free tickets. The orchestra raised over \$20,000 for war charities.

Next week we shall continue our musical sample survey at Brantford,

Master Artists

Two piano recitals of outstanding merit took place in Toronto last week one by the Czech Rudolf Firkusny, the other by the British pianist and Empire adjudicator Lloyd Powell.

Perhaps in technique and sheer brilliance the younger man had the slightest edge on white-haired Powell, but the latter gave more evidences of pianistic poetry. The two recitals could have constituted an object course for master piano classes. Unfortunately attendances at both were light.

Firkusny has simply mastered the piano; and although at times-especially in something like the Stravinsky "Petrouchka" ballet music or the Chopin Barcarolle—a listener may detect bravura, in its tonality his art shows high-purposed concepts. Hearing his Mozart Sonata in C major and Chopin's Etudes and Ballade one knows that sincerity has super-

seded sensation and fireworks.

In César Franck's Prelude, Chorale and Fugue, Powell played with the subtlest inflections and colors. Of course, a graduate student might have taken the same care. But Powell showed an additional deep logic of the interpretative plan, which only a master pianist can catch.

Britisher included quieter numbers—Ireland's "Amberley Wild Brooks", Debussy's "Cloches a travers les feuilles", and Poulenc's "Pas-tourelle" in the second half of his program, ended with the Chopin group. Firkusny played sensational music of his countrymen - Smetana, Martinu, Janacek—and Stravinsky's ballet music in his second half. He didn't permit his audience to cease marvelling until his first encore, Chopin's Waltz, Op. 64, No. 2. Then listeners could relax and sit back from the edge of their seats.

Dedication

In her Toronto recital a fortnight ago, Portia White, majestically tall colored contralto of Halifax, was being applauded repeatedly after singing a group of English ballads and Negro spirituals. Portia returned with accompanist Wolfgang Rose. The audience became hushed. Spoke Portia: "I want to dedicate my next song, 'Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees', to Miss Edith Read of Branksome Hall." Why the dedication? That sent newsmen and -women snooping.
It seemed that Miss Read heard

Portia sing for the first time in their home town of Halifax five years ago. Although Miss Read "didn't know a thing about music", she hurried to Toronto to engage Eaton Auditorium for her discovery. There on November 7, 1941, Portia White had her Canadian début. Miss Read's pupils at Branksome had sold tickets to insure a full house. "Portia should have been pushed on the stage years ago", said Miss Read. In March, two years

ago, she made her début in New York's Town Hall. The audience stood up and applauded.

Portia White belongs to a talented family. Her father was an athlete, a doctor of divinity, and in World War I the first negro chaplain in the British Empire. Her married sister has done considerable composing Sister Yvonne, like Portia, studies singing. Nephew Ernest at the age of 2 had perfect pitch.

Portia's old teacher, tense and sharp-eyed Dr. Ernesto Vinci, was standing in the wings of Massey Hall's stage during her recent concert. He heard her sing two arias which he had probably taught her-one from Ponchielli's "La Gioconda" and Donizetti's "Au Fernando". Last week she gave a concert in Balti-

Miss White's contralto voice has beautiful tone, range, purity; lessons, practice and Dr. Vinci have seen to those things. But there is a warmth of personality—at times even a fire —in her singing, for which character and friends like Miss Read have had a lot of responsibility.

Short Notes

Gordon Thompson, Toronto music publisher, while acting as through Master of Ceremonies for a ship's concert on the Aquitania recently, in Concert on the Aquitania recently in the concert of as prosp troduced Shane Alexander, 10-year A fold son of the Governor General, in ways his first public piano performance.

Frances Dutton, mezzo-soprano from Vancouver. gave her New York début recital at Times Hall last month before an audience from La for L month before an audience warmly appreciative of her sincere and in material telligent performance. She sang a program in Italian, English, German. French and Spanish including numbers by Handel, Schubert and Respighi. N. Y. Times critic reported Miss Dutton "disclosed a warmth and dement' licacy of feeling with generally excellent vocalization that achieved a really musical result."

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THE FILM PARADE

The Religious and Period Film Are Today's Best Box Office

By MARY LOWREY ROSS

THE smart money these days, from the producer's point of view, seems to lie in presenting either reigious films or costume drama; and the genius who could combine the wo forms in a single production would probably be in a position to order specifications for his new swimming pool before the cameras even started rolling.

From the rational point of view the screen has just as much right to exploit religion as history; so the faint creep of distaste one feels at the commercialized reverence and the holy out awfully knowing camera-lighting of some recent films may just be set down to old-fashioned prejudice. Still there it is, and sometimes when get a sense of irrational depression and trace it back to its source, I find t rises from nothing more than the prospect of having some day to sit through that divine far-off event, the hrough that divine far-on event, the spectacular screen presentation of Mr. Lloyd Douglas's "The Robe."

A film like "Going My Way" is also acceptable because it is filled

with warmth and feeling and lighted by an odd sense of character. It was quite obvious that, in making it, Director Leo McCarey was so deeply absorbed in the material itself that material ends hardly came into his calculation. By comparison its sucessor "The Bells of St. Mary's" is as obvious in its appeal as the rattling of

tin cup. Since films with religious "treatment" are so clearly in demand we re probably in for an almost endless cycle of them. So we might as well take what pleasure we can from them nerely as entertainment, without beng too squeamish about their air of lossy dedication, or too irritably ware that from the Hollywood point of view thar's gold in them thar hills salvation.

Costume Detail

The charm of period pictures, apart om the fact that they allow us to cape from our own deplorable cenury, is that they provide a variety of istory without tears. The screen may be just as arbitrary about human behavior in the Eighteenth Century as in the Twentieth; but at least the details of costume, furnishings and interiors are as accurate as a toiling army of researchers can make them. Thus you may discover from a film like "Kitty" how the well-dressed man of the Eighteenth Century carried his pocket-handkerchief (he trailed it from his lower right-hand pocket). You will have to make up your own mind, however, about whether Gainsborough actually painted the Blue Boy to spite an elderly colleague or whether some bright mind in the studio thought up the idea as a way of introducing a familiar cultural landmark into the picture.

Dirty Face

"Kitty" here is played by Paulette Goddard, probably the only actress in Hollywood who can look attractive with her hair uncombed and a dirty face. "Kitty," a Cockney waif, is picked up by Thomas Gainsborough who makes her wash her face and then reproduces her on canvas as a period beauty. After that she passes into the keeping of a bankrupt peer (Ray Milland), who in less time than it takes to believe teaches her to pick up her dropped aspirates and enunciate in the pear-shaped tones of a born lady. The motives of Kitty's benefactor are as low as possible he wants to marry her off to a duke and cut in on the marriage settlement. He is a deplorable heel, so Kitty loves him devotedly and lets him in handsomely on the profits of her marriages her husbands drop off like flies.

Eventually, however, she loses her patience with her mercenary young man and cuts him off without a shilling just as she is about to marry another Duke, owner of the larger part of Scotland. This brings him round in no time, but it is hardly worth while speculating on the motives behind his reform since he is never permitted to be anything except a cardboard lover of a very inferior

Paulette Goddard succeeds in enlivening the story to certain extent with her vitality and high spirits, but for the most part "Kitty" is just the Pygmalion legend done in a series of period tableaux. The production is highly elaborate but in spite of the obvious care that has been taken to reproduce the period the extravag-ance suggests Hollywood of the Twentieth Century rather than London in the Eighteenth.



Dutch youngsters in England for a rest and in order to restore their health were guests of British Boy Scouts and made use of their camps. A group of them are seen here at a camp in Hertfordshire. Evidently that stew smells good to them.

SWIFT REVIEW

THE ROAD TO UTOPIA. Another in the Bing Crosby-Bob Hope-Dorothy Lamour travelogue series. As usual it goes out of its way to make as little sense as possible and is generally suc-

A WALK IN THE SUN. Story of a G. I. beach landing at Salerno. A vivid and memorable film in spite of some slickness in characterization.

THE SAILOR TAKES A WIFE. A routine comedy made beguiling by the performances of Robert Walker

and June Allyson.

THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S.
Follow-up to "Going My Way," with
Ingrid Bergman substituting for
Barry Fitzgerald. Any resemblances to the original film are not coinciden-

THE HARVEY GIRLS. Judy Garland as an idealistic Harvey waitress and Ray Bolger as himself make this big and rather foolish musical pleasant entertainment.

VACATION FROM MARRIAGE. Pleasant English comedy in which Robert Donat and Deborah Kerr take a refresher course in how to be happy though married.



Ettore Mazzoleni, associate conductor of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, who conducted the recent performance of the first full-length Canadian opera, "Deirdre of the Sorrows", (libretto by John Coulter and music by Dr. Healey Willan), is seen here at the opera's broadcast by the C.B.C. with Frances James, soprano, who sang the principal role. William Morton (right) was male lead and sang the romantic tenor role of Naisi.





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WORLD OF WOMEN

Good Housing for the Canadian Wage Earner is Good Business

By LILLIAN D. MILLAR

CONSIDERING this matter of housing on a hard-headed business basis, can we afford to continue to build houses of the same size, design and cost as those which are now going up? Is it good business to go ahead and put up more homes which are too small to preserve the Canadian standard of living, yet are too expensive for the average worker to carry?

Most of our total national income flows into the pockets of individuals, either as a return for work or services or as a return from money saved and invested. A large percentage of this money is made up of the salaries and wages of the average worker and the earnings of small businesses. As the bulk of the money thus received is spent for consumer goods and services, for the everyday needs of the family, the spending power of the average family is the life-blood of business. The larger the percentage of the family income which is available after providing for bare necessities, the more prosperous everyone is. When the family has more money to spend, demand for goods and services is greater, level of employment is higher and business booms. Therefore the prosperity and well-being of the average family is of supreme importance, not only to the individual family, but to business, to the community and to the country as a

Shelter is one of the basic necessities of life and one of the most important items in the family budget. If the budget is to be balanced, it is considered that shelter costs which include cost of heat and light should not take more than 20 to 25 per cent of the total family income. At the current rate of earnings—assuming he is employed fifty-two weeks of the year—the average worker can afford to pay only about \$27 to \$32 a month for shelter. This is a maximum figure when it is considered that most workers do not work the full fiftytwo weeks. The Dominion census of 1941 showed that the average person worked only forty weeks in the year, that for twelve weeks he received

Four-room bungalows being built under present conditions and with existing methods cost about \$35 a month. Add to this the amounts needed for heat and light and the

house will amount to about 30 per cent of the income of the average worker. If such a large proportion of the family income is going to have to go for shelter, spending power is going to dwindle, demand for consumer goods and services is bound to go down, employment will drop and everyone will be poorer. But, in addition to higher shelter

costs, our new style of home will affect other family expenditures. To offset high building costs we have cut the size and changed the design of houses and in doing so sufficient care has not been taken to make certain that some of the savings thus effected are worth Any saving in building costs which is made at the expense of a higher annual family expenditure is uneconomic. Sometimes it pays to spend extra. A capital expenditure which results in even a small annual saving is worth while when it is considered that the saving may continue during the lifetime of the house, probably some fifty years.

A Place For Everything?

Upon our pointing out the need in new houses for much more cupboard and storage space, a contractor retorted, "But those are luxuries which we cannot afford to include."

To provide a place to keep all the personal and household possessions of the family is not an extravagance. It is good business. With the stringency of war we learned the value of conservation. We found that with proper care things could be made to last almost twice as long as we ever though they could. Without proper storage space there is no place to keep all the things a family must Consequently they become broken and lost and soiled and they wear out much more quickly than they need. And, of course, this is an unnecessary drain on family

Inadequate storage space may affect also other items in the family budget, such as amounts paid for food and household supplies. Quantity buying is one way to cut costs. For example, a 12-ounce bottle of marmalade costs 21 cents, a 24-ounce bottle of the same brand is 35 cents. One pound of sugar is 8 cents, a 5pound bag is 38 cents. A 15-pound bag of flour may cost less than three 5-pound bags, a dozen bars of soap less than twelve single bars, and so on. Moreover, savings can often be made by taking advantage of bargains in staple foods and sup-plies. But if she is to buy ahead the housewife must have a place in which to keep goods. Our new homes do not provide sufficient storage space for any quantity of groceries and household supplies and the family will have to resort to the expensive, hand-to-mouth method of

Even clothing bills may be affected. Our new homes are so small that they offer no incentive to the housewife to sew, for there is only one room in which all the activities of

The obliging "little dark dress" assumes a gala mood with springtime accessories. Highlights are new "upsitting" look of flower - wreathed turban over swept-up hair, gold

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the family must be carried on. Yet family clothing bills can be cut in half if clothes are made at home. Then, closet space in most homes is too small to accommodate all the clothing of an average family. In addition, in many bedrooms there is not room to swing a closet door and closets are being left without doors. This allows the dust and fluff of the bedroom constantly to sift in on clothing. These factors are going to make it more difficult for a family to care for clothes properly and to keep down clothing costs.

The family recreation costs are also likely to be higher for in these small houses it is difficult to maintain a normal social life and more and more families are seeking their social contacts and recreation outside the home. They go out and pay for entertainment instead of finding

fun and social contacts at home, such as in music, hobbies, handi-crafts and all sorts of social games

which cost very little.
Undoubtedly the new type of house is going to change the pattern of family spending and the financial position of both families and business will be weakened. Let us consider another example. Now that a separate dining room has disappeared, no dining room furniture will be needed. When there is no place to serve a formal meal, the buying of good table linens, fine china and glassware and silver flatware is likely to dwindle. Business is going to suffer and families will be worse off because higher shelter costs will eat up the amounts which ordinarily would go for these items.

If families are going to have to pay more, not only for shelter costs



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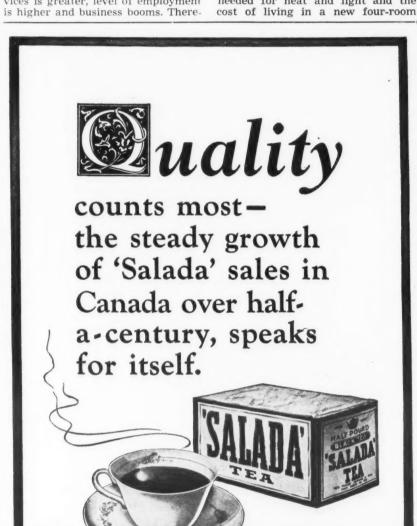




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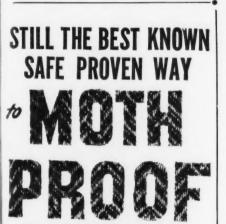
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but also for other items, how can family budgets be balanced? Already they are feeling the pinch. Their first thought is to get more income to relieve the situation and everywhere workers are demanding higher pay. But to raise wage rates is not the answer, for higher wages merely boost the prices of other things the family must buy and in the end they are no better off. The only sound solution is to find ways and means of lowering building costs. A wide variety of opinions exist and there is plenty of argument as to whether or not costs can be cut and if so how it can be accomplished. Certainly the problem will not be solved while the construction industry and industry as a whole make no concerted effort to cope with it. So far builders have not faced the issue but have merely met higher costs by making drastic changes in size and type of houses. They know that they can sell these houses today because people are desperate and will pay anything to have a roof over their heads. It has been charged, too, that little attempt is being made by manufacturers to increase production of building materials, that they are waiting until price controls are relaxed.

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methods and outdated materials because of restrictions in local building by-laws. Dr. E. G. Faludi, wellknown authority on building and town planning, says; "Most of our municipal building by-laws, in effect if not in precise terms, actually block technical progress in construction. They stifle inventiveness and in many cases prevent or delay appli-cation of proven techniques which promise faster production, lower first cost and maintenance charges, more convenience and efficiency in household operation, without sacrifice of structural strength and fire governments, with the inefficient, go-slow and restrictive methods of labor. It can be done only if every one recognizes that the balanced family budget is the only solid foundation on which can be built a sound and enduring national economic structure and that shelter is the cornerstone of the foundation.

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The decrease in efficiency of labor also has an important bearing on high building costs. In a lecture under the auspices of McGill University School of Architecture and Extension Committee, Mr. J. L. E. Price said: "There is no gainsaying the fact that building costs are where they are today largely because of reduced efficiency of labor." Mr. Price presented a detailed statement of comparative costs of erecting a typical house in 1939 and in 1945. Total on site labor costs on this house were \$2,423 in 1939 and \$3,746 in 1945, an increase of \$1,323 or 54.6 per cent. Of this 54.6 per cent, only 37.5 per cent represented increase in wage rates, the difference of more than 17 per cent being due to the fact that work took a good deal longer to do in 1945 because of the lower general efficiency of labor. If the work had been done as quickly and efficiently as it was done in 1939, the 1945 labor costs would have been \$412 lower. Expressing the opinion that current wage rates are not too high, Mr. Price said, "In my judgment the trouble lies more in the present low level of average production than in high wage

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Thanks to "Trilby", Artists and Their Studios Still Are Suspect

By MARGARET FULTON FRAME

THERE is no doubt about it. The mere mention of the word "studio" transports the average layman like a magic carpet into a land of enchantment. Even those who are so lacking in imagination as to declare that they "can't draw a straight line", or "don't know anything about art but know what they like". Perhaps "Trilby" is responsible; or "La Vie de Boheme". It is all very difficult for the artist to understand.

During the darkest days of World War II I had the temerity to open an art studio in Ottawa. It was but a poor relation of other, more glamorous studios I had had in Boston, London, Paris, and Nice. Moreover, like many other Canadian women I was doing housework and war work for the first time in my life. I had little time or energy left to paint. The studio was a gesture of faith in the

Despite the acute shortage of office space in Ottawa, a big bare room on Sparks Street had remained vacant for some time. This was surprising considering it had four walls, a ceiling, a door with hinges, and three large windows overlooking the Parliament Buildings. Perhaps the rough floor boards had discouraged prospective tenants; or the gargantuan lettering sprawled over the four walls; or the really sinister looking cobwebs trailing from the blackened ceiling. It had been placed there quite enduringly by a travelling salesman for some kind of shoes.

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I was not discouraged. After a charwoman had dealt with the dirt I found the room appeared larger than I had thought. My first prob-

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GOLD MEDALIST DIPLOMIST lem was the walls. To my dismay I could find no way of removing any of the lettering, which had been glued on; so there was nothing I could do but hang pictures over it. Unfortunately I hadn't enough of the right size or shape, so for some weeks I had to paint pictures designed to hide the defacement of the walls! The floor wasn't such a headache; but cutting thick rolls of linoleum with a pair of sewing scissors was scarcely my idea of relaxation, especially the bits that had to be fitted around the

many jogs and radiators.

The blisters on my hands healed within a fortnight, however, so I was soon able to wield a hammer and lay the linoleum. I made a thorough job of it, using long nails instead of tacks so it wouldn't fly up and slap me in the face.

By this time I had made all the curtains and hung them on the three high windows, encouraged by waves and smiles from members of the staff of an Embassy just opposite, who seemed delighted when I mislaid my hammer and had to resort to using my slipper. Haunting second-hand stores had yielded a harvest of quite presentable, slightly used furniture, including a chesterfield set with all the legs on every piece. I also bought a lot of odd lengths of oriental drapery, a handsome Japanese screen, (very cheap,) and a variety of strange ornaments including a large bronze object which quite fascinated me — until I found out it was a funeral urn!

Trouble Underfoot

At an auction I excitedly began bidding for imitation oriental rugs, and found myself in possession of two more than I remembered bidding on. In my enthusiasm at getting the rugs I completely forgot about the pattern on the newly laid linoleum. The resulting clash of design and color was appalling! Every artistic tooth in my head started throbbing. I realized at once that I would either have to lay the rugs pattern down, or else reverse all the linoleum. I decided to do the latter. By the time I had extracted all the nails from the floor boards I was thankful I had bought the chesterfield.

When I had recovered my strength sufficiently I turned the linoleum over and found it quite inoffensive on the other side — the color of slightly mouldy chocolate. Very pleased with my ingenuity I commenced to re-lay it upside down . . . You're right! I had forgotten the jogs around the wall. Fortunately it was wide enough to permit more cutting with the sewing scissors. But when it was finally nailed down for the second time, the rugs snugly covering the jagged edges, I discovered that the side which was now uppermost had never been intended for human footstep. Every touch scraped its tender chocolate surface

and left a hideous papery scar. Obviously it would have to have at least two coatings of hard-surface, protective paint.

I had just given the linoleum its third coating, and was sitting back on my heels with the light of conquest at last dawning in my glazed eyes, when there was an unexpected knock on my studio door. Walking carefully over the fresh paint on my heels, I prepared my face with what I hoped was a welcoming smile, for these were my first visitors. One long slide landed me against the door with a crash . . . Oh well, they might just as well walk all over it now; it would have to be repainted anyway.

-But Is It Art?

There were three of them—strange females—wearing immaculate white gloves and that goggle-eyed expression so peculiar to laymen who are visiting an artist's studio for the first time. They peeped past my shoulder, half fearful, half anticipative, as though they expected to see a satyr clad in vine leaves leap across the floor, or a fawn asleep on a tigerskin rug. Nothing so enticing met their eyes so, looking slightly dissappointed, they stepped inside, tracking wet paint all over the rugs.

"We heard you had opened a studio," one chirped brightly. "We adore Art, so as we are just passing through Ottawa we thought we would pay you a visit."

They began prowling around the

studio curiously.

"My sister is a wonderful painter," vouchsafed one of the trio confidingly. "She paints the most lovely pictures on sofa cushions — well, not like your work exactly, but really beautiful scenes. And copies calendars! I do wish you could meet her!"

I made appropriate sounds. The

first speaker beamed at me benignly. "And I have an aunt who is an artist too. She paints flowers on work baskets every year for our church bazaar. The daintiest things you ever saw! I always tell her she should have had her work in the

should have had her work in the Royal Academy!"

"And you?" I enquired of the third. "Are there artists in your family too?"

The third lady looked very shamefaced, "Oh no," she replied regretfully. "No one in our family can draw a straight line."

This admission seemed to embarass her companions greatly. They hastened to cover up her shocking ignorance of Art by launching into a feverish duet about all the artists they had ever heard of — and I had not. They described in agonizing detail all the landscapes, flower studies, portraits and other miscellaneous work they had ever seen. Then they sat down, uninvited, and commenced smoothing their white gloves complacently. The duet about other artists went on interminably.

The Welcome Mat

The one who "knew nothing about art" said not a word, but was the only one who seemed to have noticed my paintings. While the others talked she continued to study my pictures quietly.

Finally the most loquacious of the three glanced at her watch. "My goodness, Sally, it's nearly six o'clock! We have barely time to pack and catch our train! Goodbye, Miss Frame. It's been lovely meeting you. Next time we are in Ottawa we must come back and look at all your pictures!"

They shook my hand in an effusive farewell. The silent one came forward awkwardly. She seemed apologetic.

"Good-bye, and thank you," she said gently. "I don't know anything about art but," I waited for her to complete the hackneyed platitude, but she surprised me, — "as Louis XVI said to Madame Lebrun, 'You make me like it'."

I could have embraced her!

That was in the beginning! As soon as my name appeared in the telephone directory—followed by the magic word "studio"—I began receiving a variety of unusual requests, not all to have portraits painted. People I had never met began phoning to know where they could buy paints and brushes; or to sell me their deceased aunt's broken pastels; or to ask me to tell them if the second



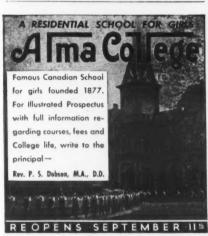
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hand picture they had purchased for \$2.50 was a genuine Old Master.

Others asked if they could borrow my models' costumes for fancy dress dances; or give parties in my studio; or rent it for political gatherings; or to give singing lessons, or set up housekeeping in it. Some thought it would be a perfect home for an unwanted cat. A Hollywood producer asked to use it for a setting for a film he was making to publicize the Canadian Navy!

My visitors' book now contains the names of about five hundred people from all over the world: poets and painters; writers and refugees; censors and statesmen; models and musicians; art dealers and foreign diplomats; admirals and British agents; peasants and princes. A whole book could be written about these interesting visitors who, often unheralded and unrecognized, knock upon my studio door, leaving addresses from China to Greenland and Prague to Peru. . .

So if you are lonely fix up a studio; then, even if you hang a sign on the door saying "POSITIVELY NO ADMITTANCE", your doorbell will never cease to ring!







THE DRESSING TABLE

World's Waistline in General and Fat Ladies in Particular

By HELEN LEWIS

THIS is respectfully dedicated to the millions and millions of fat women in the United States and Canada. Obviously, unless I was aware that I qualified as one myself, I wouldn't stick my neck out by getting embroiled in such a distasteful

But since "The Little Flower" La Guardia, new Boss of U. N. R. R. A., has brought the subject into the open and publicly blasted the "Belly" Americans who have clung tenaciously to their pie à la mode, I may as well speak my piece, too — as long as it isn't pie. La Guardia's scolding seems to have disturbed them more than the grave warnings of Herbert Hoover and Harry Truman that they are allowing more than one hundred million people to starve practically on their doorstep.

When we hear, and read such lectures all day long (assuming that fat women have energy to read instead of listening to the radio), perhaps it may give some of us fatted darlings food for thought instead of for our overweight bodies. Maybe we will be inspired to use this opportunity to revise our diets and calories to advantage, helping both ourselves and some of the people who are existing on less than 1,500 calories a day. For comparison the Canadian Army gets 3,800 and the American Army 2500.

Who Are They

But let's not be too hard on all these girls. Let's analyze who they

This is only a layman's article and I don't pretend to know any more about diet, calories or vitamins than the average woman who tries sporadically to diet every time she meets a new man who eyes her speculatively. Or gets discouraged on a shopping tour because the particular dress she

wants is only to be had in size fourteen, sixteen and even an eighteen. Nothing is more chastening than to be told a dress doesn't come larger than eighteen although, in better stores, it doesn't happen this way. Instead, with a firm but tactful hand, you are steered away from the "Debutante" and "Smaller Size Department" into what is usually known as the "Better Dress Department" which, we agree sounds more flattering than the "Larger sized Section".

However, once you have let yourself be promoted to a size twenty, it doesn't matter what you wear, anyway — for even in a Milgrim, a Hattie Carnegie, Schiaparelli or Chanel, no one will notice you — except perhaps another fat woman out of curiosity and sympathy. So do, do, if the bathroom scales are sending out overweight signals, think well before you reach this point. Once there, it means endless hours in Turkish baths, massages, exercises and diets and even they may not do the trick. But all the fat mamas know this as well as

Let's analyze what the Little Woman or I should say "Fat" Woman chooses to call her diet. She loves to say she never eats any breakfast. No — just black coffee — but with lots of cream and sugar added. What does she do after that? Well according to her status, maybe she does a little housework

does a little housework.

And here I pause to include the honest Working Woman with a brood of brats or children, as the case may be — for anyone can have either. She works like an ox from dawn to dusk and still gets fat. Why? Well, you know. She eats. That's why. She samples her own cooking — takes snacks now and then when the neighbors drop in to gossip about other neighbors.

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to have some kind of domestic help, then she probably just sits down and listens to the radio or reads the morning paper. If she has a couple of beds to make it is a dividend for, actually, making beds, properly is wonderful exercise, and from this angle she has the drop on the career women who usually don't even get to make their own beds — much less sleep in them. I should qualify "Career Woman" which covers anyone from Helen of Troy to a mere mistress of a millionaire, or mistress of a Powder Room. Anyway, my interpretation is a woman who has to work to earn her keep.

Just A Salad, But-

Speaking of exercise, of course I am willing to admit there are other forms of it besides housework, but most women are sedentary whether they admit it or not and usually complain about being on their feet all day and that is that.

Now, we're up to the Little Woman's lunch. "It's just a salad," says she, but the salad turns out to be an avocado perhaps, and doused with either mayonnaise or rich French dressing. A roll and butter. Tea or coffee again with sugar and cream. And maybe some days her eye strays in the direction of that infamous pie à la mode, or of desserts topped off with whipped cream and sticky chocolate or rich wine sauces.

Come tea time, maybe she slips again and it is a small, or large, hunk of gooey cake or some kind of pastry. Working girls, stenographers and women who perhaps sit all day, stuff themselves with soft drinks and the same kind of thing, plus chocolate bars. Women seldom try to look for fruit juices or order tomato juice, even when it is available.

To get back to our Little Woman again. She is convinced that she has dieted faithfully all day long and now come dinner time, she feels free to really go to town and usually goes whole hog with cocktails, beer or wine—whatever is being dispensed by her hostess at the time. A lot of women insist that cocktails aren't fattening since they have no alcohol in them, being mostly slop and ice.

Once, when I was lapping up a

Once, when I was lapping up a quart of beer without a quiver, an Army man informed me it was the equivalent of four slices of white bread. Naturally, I was horrorstricken for, as we all know, no self-respecting fat woman would eat four slices of any kind of bread—white, black or brown—but plenty of women lap up beer in large quantities and think nothing of it.

So when the Little Women, business or otherwise, try to count calories, they should remember to include Dame Alcohol, and that a quart of beer is three hundred of the darned things, the harmless little glass of wine or cocktail sometimes rates as high as 150, and Scotch and soda or rye at 75. Obviously, the latter is the best drink if you just can't forego. But if you can plan to have someone put a glass of fruit juice in your hand the *minute* you open the door, the cocktail, or before dinner drink, urge will soon disappear.

The ideal way to diet is, of course, to hand your maid a copy of your diet and then forget about it. Every

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time you sit down to a meal, you will be getting what you should have and no nonsense. But how many of us poor Fatsos can do that? Another simple way is always to leave the table hungry, but really hungry, and forget about any definite type of diet. This latter is, of course, for the strong-minded.

In defense of the plump working girls, career women and the like, most of the poor things have to eat their meals in restaurants. And usually cheap meals are loaded with bread, potatoes, and gravy. You can ignore them if you care to and lots of women do, but you can't keep requesting a salad made with mineral oil dressing and certain condiments left out of certain foods. That is, you can't more than once in the same restaurant.

Unfortunately, as you get older taste becomes more sophisticated until you reach your second childhood when a simple diet again becomes acceptable. I know a group of successful career women who give each other large banquets, Bacchanalian feasts with everything cooked in wine, that would make one of those famous Stalin-Churchill twenty-six course Russian dinners look like a box lunch.

Professional Thinning

On the other hand, I also know some eccentric goddesses who live healthily—rub their glowing bodies with olive oil, lie in the sun for hours, exercise morning, noon and night, and will only eat specially prepared food made chiefly from wheat germ garnished with lemon, fruit and co-coanut juices, honey and apples, and will only drink rose leaf tea, carrot or currently interest.

cucumber juice.

Yes, they look wonderful and live mostly in Hollywood. And it's nice work if you can get it. Which reminds me, why doesn't some enterprizing person open a proper health cafeteria in any city in Canada, where you can get any type of diet you happen to require prepared so that it becomes a pleasure?



New York is casting tentative glances at the uneven hemline. Here it dips sharply, giving the effect of side drapery to a black crepe dress.

Canada has the excellent record of having met all her U.N.R.R.A. commitments and is offering more. But wouldn't it be a fine thing if some of us Fatsos would revise our diets and join the public-spirited groups of people around Canada who are turning in their unused rations coupons to the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board Offices to send even more calories to our needy neighbors who so badly need them?



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Cordon Bleu Artistry Does Not Thrive on Insufficient Rations

By JANET MARCH

WHEN Oliver Wendell Holmes Wwrote in his "Autocrat of the Breakfast Table", "Good Americans, when they die, go to Paris", he was not considering the Paris of 1946, or he would more probably have consigned the sinful ones to that destination. Unlike most of the capitals of Europe, the city still stands in all You can still enter the its charm. dim magnificence of Notre Dame; stroll along the Seine and wander in the Bois of a Sunday, but being human a good deal of the pre-war visitor's enjoyment was centered on food. Those enchanting leisurely dinners at outside cafes, with the menu written slantingly on a slate, and with the proprietor himself rushing out to make his especial sauce one that was yellow with butter

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can't taste just the same. The French are a very ingenious people, particularly in the kitchen, and have probably mastered better than any of the rest of us the art of Cordon Bleu cookery on a less than minimum requirement of fats and calories and wines, but even this resourcefulness is taxed when materials are lacking.

Probably if you have the cash and know your way around there are black market restaurants for you can't change a people's habits overnight and it was patriotic to hinder the German regime, during the long years of occupation, by dealing as much as possible on the black market. People can't learn new ways at once and in the official French Information Service bulletin there is this gloomy report — "The black market continues to be a source of supply for a large part of the population. Here are some of the prices current in January-Meat, \$1.45 a pound. Butter

\$2.08 a pound, and Coal \$91.75 a ton."
Ignoring the black market end of the situation the French have a varying ration divided by age groups and, no doubt, worked out according to nutrition experts. All of the amounts of calories allowed are below, by a good many hundreds what we in Canada consider the required minimum. A child up to three years gets a calory allowance of 1493 a day. Between three and six years they up this to 1700, but drop it again to 1600 in the six to thirteen group. From thirteen to twenty-one they do best with 1800 calories while the ordinary

adult only draws about 1400. Curiously those over seventy years get an increase taking them up to 1550. The wine allowance for January was 3 litres, which is not much by French

All of this makes us Canadians, as usual, look too well fed, particularly because first hand reports from France tell of the virtual impossibility of buying the allowed ration. Certainly we must still ride that old horse, Economy, till he drops apart. Be sure you spread the left-overs as far as they will go. Grate the stale pieces of bread into bread crumbs, and dice the ends of meat and mix them in with something else. Here's a chicken croquette recipe you might

Chicken Croquettes

2 cups of chopped chicken $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups of soft bread crumbs

tablespoons of minced onion 1 tablespoon of parsley chopped

1 teaspoon of Worcester sauce

egg beaten

3 tablespoons of mayonnaise 2 tablespoons of dried bread crumbs

Mix the salt, pepper, parslev and Worcester sauce into the mayonnaise, then add the beaten egg, and stir in the chicken and soft bread crumbs. Shape into croquettes, roll in the dried bread crumbs and nut on a baking sheet on paper. Cook in a hot oven, over 400, until they are browned, which should take about fifteen min-

If you have a little ham left over use it up this way

Ham And Macaroni

½ a package of macaroni

tablespoon of minced onion cup of grated cheese

can of condensed mushroom soup

1½ cups of diced ham

cup of milk Salt and pepper

Cook the macaroni in salted water



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and drain and arrange in a baking dish. Heat the mushroom soup and add the milk to it stirring till it is quite smooth. Then add the ham to the soup, and the onion and seasonings. Pour over the macaroni, cover with a thick layer of grated cheese and brown in the oven.

If you have a smallish piece of last week's roast of beef still in the refrigerator you can make a browned hash which is very good.

Beef Hash Browned

Put the meat through the mincer with some of the fat, but if there is a lot — more than a quarter of the lean — don't use it all. To 4 cups of minced beef add a cup and a half of cooked potatoes cut up in

chunks. Season well with salt and pepper and a little cayenne. Melt a little fat in the frying pan and put in the meat and potatoes mixed, patting them down quite hard. Cook slowly, allowing the fat to melt, and then turn with the egg lifter so that both sides brown. This is a much quicker way of dealing with a left. over than going to work and making gravy, and if you have some good pickles this is the time to use them.

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A Free Day; a Woman of Affairs and the Guest in the House

By FREDERIC MANNING

would you like for your last dinner? There's the telephone. I'll answer it, Good-bye. Kate. Hello-

Oh, Kate! I think that is the back Lydia's Last Day door bell—darling! When did you come to town? Last night. How come to town? lovely. No, I have a free day, so we can just arrange anything at any time. Lydia is with me. She came ute. What, Kate? She did telephone. can just arrange anything at any time. Lydia is with me. She came last Saturday. No, she goes tonight on the ten-thirty. Come for lunch and we can talk it all over then. At one, dear. That's right. Good-bye, darling.

Where did Kate go? Kate! Kate! Now, about dinner. What is there in the house that we can have, Kate? Yes. Yes, of course. Thank you, Kate. Now, darling, we can have that lovely chicken creamed for dinner, or there is a roast of beef, a very good one too, I'm sure, or would you fancy a bit of fish? The chicken? No, you'd rather have the fish, I know. We'll have the fish, Kate, and then-

Oh, darling. I completely forgot, I told Mrs. Gordon I'd meet her at eleven at the Red Cross Committee rooms about the- you won't mind, dear, will you? I'm sure to be back in time for lunch and we can just catch up then, can't we? Oh, Kate, there's the telephone again. Never

mind, I'll answer it.

Hello—what? I don't understand.

What meeting? When? I never heard a word about it. You did? I'm

Darling, isn't it lovely. I have a so sorry, but I have a friend with me free day, so we can catch up on and it's her last day. Excuse me a everything we haven't done since you minute, will you, please? What, Lycame. I can't believe you've been here dia, dear? But I don't want to go, a week! Must you really go tonight, darling. I'll just tell her I can't. I'm dear? Yes, of course, I know you must, but I do wish—

Oh! Yes, Kate, what is it? Of three. Excuse me a minute. Lydia, course, dinner! Now let me see, what you don't really mind, dear? You are sweet. Yes. I'll be there at three.

I never heard of such a committee. When? I don't remember. I'm sure I should have remembered iflooked at my book this morning and there was nothing in it for today. Darling, I've purposely kept today clear to be with you. You're sweet.

Now, Kate, about dinner. Now then, you say there is chicken, beef and what else? Fish! Of course. Now let me see, dear, what would you prefer? We settled on the fish? When? Oh, did we? Very well then, we'll-There's the telephone again. It will drive me mad yet. Just say I'm busy Kate. No, I'd better answer it myself, it may be important. One never

Hello— darling! I couldn't get there. Well, I had three meetings, and the Grants came in for dinner, Lydia is here you know, and- What dear? Well, no. I wasn't able to get back for dinner, but Lydia and the Grants had it together and-but darling, I can't. This is Lydia's last day with me—listen, dear, come for lunch and we can talk it all over then. No, we'll be absolutely alone and we can settle it all then. That will be lovely, dear. Thank you, darling, good-bye.

You don't mind, dear, if I just glance through my mail? This looks like a very important communication. I'm dying of curiosity to know what Just listen to this. The Gallery of Contemporary Art is having a talk with slides—on Peruvian National Dances! If there is one thing I don't feel the need of at the moment it's Peruvian -

Darling, you haven't been to the



This deceptively simple dress of vert d'eau wool, with wide sleeves, has the intricate cutting that is the distinguishing feature of French handiwork. It is by Mad Carpentier, a "young" house, and behind the name are two women who went into business together, a designer and a vendeuse, the latter from Vionnet. They use many Vionnet workers in their Paris salon, but their work has a simplicity all its own. The dress shown is one of a group recently imported by The T. Eaton Co., Limited.

Gallery! We must go. James would never forgive me if I didn't take you in. He's so proud of his new collection of-I can't remember what, but We'll just pop in and have tea with him and he can show us the new collection, whatever it is. What, dear? Oh, that. Well, the meeting ought to be over by four-thirty and then I can come and fetch you.

My dear- I've just thought. I believe I asked the Westbrooks for dinner. You remember the Westbrooks, dear? Now we can't have the fish. Kate! Kate! Is there enough fish to have for four of us for dinner-as a separate course, of course. There is? Splendid. We'll have that then, and maybe the beef.

What do you think of the beef, darling? Oh! Kate, about lunch. Maybe we had better have the chicken creamed, with mushrooms, those little button ones I got on the market on-What, dear? Of course, Kate, there will be, let me see, yourself and Clara and Jessie and- yes, there will be four of us for lunch.

We'll Ask James

Now, if I shouldn't get through my meeting in time—of course I will, dear—but just suppose I don't, then you will have Clara and Jessie and you won't really mind if I shouldn't get back? You see, I just thought of something. If I can get to the Gallery early and— I must call James and tell him we'll have tea with him. You know, darling, we might ask James to come for dinner, too. He is sweet. What, dear? Oh no, that only makes, let me see-

There's the telephone again. How I ever get anything done with that thing in the house is more than I

Hello— Well, for goodness sake—where did you come from? Yes, I see. Yes, of course, dear. For how Until tonight. On the tenthirty. How wonderful. What, dear? Well, I'll try. We might get them together at dinnertime, if we can manage to get them— I'll try. I'll call you back, dear. Goodbye.

My dear! It's Henry Brooks. Just in town for a few hours and wants a

meeting of the Festival Committee to discuss- Now how in the world can I ever get them together by tonight-We shall just have to meet at dinner, as Henry goes at ten-thirty— how lovely for you, the same train. Oh, my dear, I feel terrible about all this. Aren't you sweet? You do understand, don't you?

Darling, I must fly. Kate! Kate! I'll see you later, dear. Certainly not! You'll do no such thing. I'll be back in plenty of time to get you on the train. My dear, I'll get you to the ten-thirty if I have to leave the meeting still talking.





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He Made Dotted Lines His Career And Died According to Form

By ROY McWILLIAM

 $M_{\,\, tour}^{\, Y}$ SMALL grandson on his first tour of the sights of Ottawa plucked my sleeve and, pointing to the statue in front of what used to be the Ministry of Forms on Wellington Street, asked, "Who's that funny man on the pedestal?"

The question brought home to me

what I had long suspected. Farquharson, that genius of the nineteen forties and fifties whose brilliant career was terminated by suicide at its peak, was being forgotten. Now, only twenty-five years after his death, I am probably the only remaining person who knows why he killed himself. And I am not altogether sure.

It is odd to think that there has grown up since the Anti-Bureaucratic revolution a whole generation of Canadians who have not seen a really complex form outside a museum. To them the name Farquharson means nothing. "Who was the first professional form-filler?" has even ceased to be a popular question in the newspaper and radio quizzes. But I feel that the story of Farquharson should be preserved.

Rich rewards have been gained by men of imagination who perceived some service needed by society, provided it and thus created a new industry. So fortunes in the past have been made by those who introduced 'all - expenses - included" foreign tours, double - feature movie programs, chewing gum (including the bubble type), and lowly hot dogs to be sold under the classy title of Ritz Carltons. Each fortune was founded on the provision of a service whose lack was not felt until it was provided. Our ancestors bought their own tickets, engaged their own hotel accommodation and hired their own guides, considering this part of the business of touring. They sat through a single film and never felt the need for staying another hour and a half or two hours to see a second full-length feature. They chewed sassafras or candle wax or gum that didn't bubble, and their children were willing to say, "Gimme a red hot!" So citizens of the Super-state filled

in their own forms, taking it for granted that the printing of their names (in block letters) a dozen times a day was a natural function like breathing. More correctly they thought this until Farquharson, with the talent for perceiving the obvious that is the hallmark of genius, realized that in an age when no man could eat, drink, work or even exist officially until the correct forms had been filled, there was need for a new profession-that of form-filler.

HE HAD a vocation for form-filling. Starting as an amateur simply to oblige friends, he found that he could deal unhesitatingly even with forms as complex as those required for the installation of a bath with a cubic capacity of more than 7.2 gallons or the growth of a hedge (privet) to a height greater than the standard laid down by the Controller of Suburban Gardens. The

grateful exclamations of "It would have taken me hours to get it right!" were so frequent that Farquharson came to the conclusion that he would be serving both his country and his fellow citizens if he charged a small fee for filling in their forms correctly and legibly. For, in spite of the form-filling lessons that were part of the curriculum of every State school, there were many who never felt comfortable with a form.

In later years you could not walk a mile in any big Canadian city without seeing one of those neatly designed billboards bearing the slogan "Farquharson for Forms. We Fill and File-You Forget." Interviewers sometimes asked the master brain behind what had become one of the Dominion's major industries what had made him think of starting this service, the need of which had been overlooked for decades.

Farquharson would smile and say, "Perhaps the fact that my full name is Ferdinand Frederick Fitzgerald Farquharson, which in block capitals is quite a penful." But they knew that he was joking modestly, like the great chemists who have attributed their discoveries to a cat knocking over a test-tube or steam coming out of a kettle spout.

Within a matter of weeks of his resignation from Civil Service to devote himself entirely to form-filling, Farquharson had been forced to engage and train a dozen assistants. He himself concentrated on the complexities of such forms as Domestic Purchases-RB/34/54, calling for the percentage of steel in a proposed purchase of tableknives, or Custom-Built Tailoring—XL/72/56, which required the total length of thread (No. 8) and cotton (No. 7b) to be used in the suit that had been ordered.

In a few months the dozen assistants had become a thousand, and there were still more forms than they could fill. The continued expansion of Farquharson's form-filling company was, indeed, one of the reasons for the low figures of unemployment in Canada from 1950 on-

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m ARQUHARSON}$ had talent, but he also had application. He reduced form-filling to an exact science. His "Guide to Officialese," "Short Syntax of Ottawa Red Tape" and "Concise Civil Service Dictionary" bear witness to his painstaking erudition. He was completely absorbed in his chosen subject. There was a considerable anecdotage illustrating this absorption, but space prevents my giving more than one or two of the stories that were frequently printed about the master at the height of his

Shown a form for children wishing to take fifty per cent of their candy ration in licorice allsorts (mixtures A3 and B2) he glanced at it, shook his head and exclaimed, "Forms are not as good as they used to be—why, a child could fill this in!"

Then there was the occasion of his

visit to a South American republic. On finding that he could land without filling in a single form, he straight away went back to the ship, saying that such an uncivilized country could have no interest for him.

After regarding his activities somewhat suspiciously at first, Government leaders welcomed him and even aided the passage through Parliament of an Amending Act, which deleted the phrase "in their own handwriting" wherever it occurred in any other Act, Regulation, Directive or official form. This put Far-quharson's business on a sound footing, and he repaid those who had helped him by frequently suggesting the addition of questions to forms to make them longer.

Towards the end of his career he was even engaged to compose forms for government officials who felt that rival departments were scoring on them. On one occasion he was able to save the government from defeat by devising a form so complex that it could not be correctly filled in by anyone. With this form in his pocket, the Minister of Pensions was able to accept an amendment about which the House was determined, secure in the knowledge that it would be a dead letter, strangled by Farquharson's master form that had to be filled in by anyone wishing to take advantage of it. Farquharson received a generous fee, but it was only a small fraction of that saved the nation in unclaimed pensions.

It would be possible to fill a book with the story of Farquharson. But I must pass rapidly over twenty years to his death. Why did Far-quharson commit suicide at the height of his career? His suicide was a shock to the public who had come to look upon Farquharson as a national institution. His gay Neonlighted signs and billboards in every street and his mobile form-filling units that travelled to outlying villages, as well as covering the Northwest Territories, had become part of the national life.

WHEN it was announced that he had been found at his desk, pen in hand, a form in front of him, dead from the effects of some one hundred of the many millions of aspirins he had saved his clients, there was much speculation about his motive in taking his life. One of the more sensational papers went so far as to suggest that Farquharson had for the first time been baffled by a form and had taken the gentleman's





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way out. At the inquest the coroner, stating that he had been served with Form 18C under the Defence Regulations, had to refuse to make any comment on the form found in the deceased's hand.

As the coroner's clerk, I was able to examine the form and I think I may now safely reveal its nature to clear up a minor historical mystery. It was Form 137B issued under Regulation 19T of the Nationalization of Industry Act-the form served on owners of retail store and business men whose way of making a living was found to be redundant by the efficiency experts of the Super-state. You would think that a man with a business as large, unique and efficient as Farquharson's was safe. You would underestimate the possibilities of jealousy and intrigue in Ottawa's high places. Farquharson's business had become too large. Therefore, it was imperative for the State to take

The form followed the usual form-

ula of 137B. "The Minister has decided in accordance with the powers granted him . . . to take over the said business . . . etc., etc."

The actual marks of Farquharson's nails as they bit into it in his death agony were in the neatly ruled space headed "Reasons for Expropriation." Typed in that space was "Failure of founder and/or proprietor to complete Form L7B required from all persons before they open a new business."

Farquharson paid with his life for the only form he forgot to fill—the one he should have completed before starting business twenty years before!

But the question still remains to be answered: did Farquharson commit suicide because the Government had decided to nationalize his formfilling industry and he was ruined, or because the discovery that he had failed to fill a form was such a blow to his pride that he could not contemplate living any longer?

Party - Line Listening Was Lots of Fun and Sometimes Very Useful!

By HORACE BROWN

OUR party line never deviates from its original purpose, as far as its sponsors are concerned, but from what I can see and hear it exists primarily for community entertainment, education, and information. That our party line is joined by a number of similar party lines, all with identical platforms, is some proof that democracy still flourishes in the small Southern Ontario communities, where everyone knows everyone else's business, and where some persons seem to make an actual career of keeping an ear to the receiver. Telephone officials, in unguarded moments, have told me that party lines the world over are much the same, although I might have trouble understanding Hindustani. But I would think the party lines of Sountern Ontario would have a flavor all their own, for nowhere else that I know of does Mid-Victorian ignorance and intolerance so clash with

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Twentieth Century ideology, nor would I wish such naiveté and kindliness and suspicion and gossiping to be mixed in equal quantities upon any other portion of the earth.

Today, our party line is becoming more and more citified. There's altogether too much long-distance talking on our party line, with my self the greatest offender. Party lines should have remained intimate and homey. I lay the blame for the disintegration of party-line-listening upon Radio, for, with the advent of the soap opera, the housewife found herself able to engage in international gossiping over the lives of imaginary (nay, impossible!) people, without developing the well known party-line complaint of "receiver ear". The reader will admit that it is much simpler to cry over "John's Other Wife" by remote control, without the fatigue of constantly standing at a telephone holding your breath for fear that the persons involved in the real, life drama will recognize your leaky valves.

There is, they tell me, an art to listening in on a party line. First of all, all rings on a party-line may not be interesting. Two longs may be that stodgy farmer bachelor, Will Smith; he won't have anything to say worth listening to. But two shorts and a long is Mrs. Jones, and Mrs. Jones is the best gossip in the neighborhood. She can dish out more dirt in ten minutes than Walter Winchell could spout in a day. So, when two and a long go, you steal stealthily to your telephone, it being human nature to approach guilty things warily, lift the receiver without a sound, while placing your hand or a handy cloth firmly over the

WHILE I frown upon the practice of party-line listening myself, I am not above making use of its miraculous advantages. Recently, during a rather warm community debate, a lady of another community came to me with the whole story of an attempt to check what we were doing. It was so circumstantial, I had to believe her, but I was amazed at the depth of her knowledge. Without the slightest shame, she confessed that she had heard a certain number ring, had picked up the receiver and learnt by the first words that it was a conversation in which she would be highly interested. Without the slightest shame, I must confess that I made good use of her information. It's a sort of a counterespionage.

There's a saying around our way, "If you want to spread some news, just pick up the telephone and call somebody." I have often made use of this technique in local politics. Wishing to start a certain trend of thinking, I have called someone who has a Constant Listener on his line. There is a certain "open" quality to a wire that lets you know when some one is listening deliberately. Then I have proceeded to "plant" the story I wanted circulated, by retailing it to my friend. Sure enough, within

anywhere from two days to ten that story will come back to me, embellished.

My own feeling is that there is something psychopathic about persons who listen to the private conversations of others. Their own lives must be so meagre and narrow, their own thoughts so few, that they revel in this second-hand way of living.

ONCE a friend and I smoked out a party-line eavesdropper. I knew someone was listening, and my conversation took a turn something like this: "I see Constant Listener is back on the line again. You know a person like that must be crazy.' My friend caught on and backed me up, as I went on, "I'll bet it's a woman, and an old woman, too, one who has nothing else to do. Persons like that need the service of a psychiatrist. They should be committed to an asylum." I could practically feel Constant Listener's exasperation; the whole wire was pregnant with "This woman must have a wart on her nose, and I suppose she hasn't any teeth. I'll bet her face would scare a scarecrow and. .

That was about as far as I got. A very young voice, belonging I would say to a personable damsel in her twenties, snapped in dignantly, "You're crazy!", and a receiver banged in our ears. My friend and I almost had hysterics over this psychological proof of feminine vanity.

It has been my experience, however, that party-line eavesdroppers are rapidly becoming a *rara avis*. The radio brings instant news to every

country home that has a telephone. The daily and weekly newspapers come to the door. Perhaps in the hinterlands it is still a favorite indoor sport, but the zest for it is dying out.

BUT what I call "party-line manners" could be improved. You may be nicely into a long-distance call on a business matter, when a harsh, feminine voice will enquire, "Why in the hell don't you get off the line?" I have had ladies say far worse than that. Then some persons will continue to ring while you're talking, which, of course, makes it very easy to hear what is being said from the other end. Others who have wall-telephones have a pleasant little habit of sticking receiver to mouthpiece, a process that brings a prolonged, ear-shattering, nerve-jarring squeal. In case you think these practices are the priority of the country, just try using a city party-line for a while. At least in the country, you can usually recognize the voice and give a warning. Another favorite stunt is to forget to 'ring off", so that those wanting to use the line will not know you are

The operators, naturally, come in for their share of abuse, but I have found these young women to be most efficient and obliging. The trouble is that they are overworked on antiquated equipment. When new equipment comes through, the story will be different. But it is rather pleasant to get a call from the operator, who says, "Mr. Brown, where

have you been for the last half-hour? Mr. Soanso has been trying to get you. Shall I ring him for you?"

I shall never forget a day in December, 1944, when there was an hysterical pounding at my back door. The woman from the adjoining farm was standing there, tears streaming down her face.

"Get help, Mr. Brown!" she pleaded. "Sam's been hurt. A tree fell on him."

I went to the telephone and rang for the operator.

"This is an emergency," I told her. "A man's been very badly hurt at the farm back of my place. Will you get me a doctor, and the police?"

That girl was smart! She connect-

That girl was *smart!* She connected me with one doctor, who was tied up at the hospital, and, while I was talking to the first doctor she had a second one on the line. The second one said he would leave immediately. The operator said, "Just a moment, Mr. Brown. There's Constable Irvine for you."

Within ten minutes of the first frenzied banging on my back door, the doctor and the policeman were both on the scene. My unfortunate neighbor had been instantly killed, but if he had had a chance for life it would have been given to him by our quick-thinking party-line operator.

There is tragedy and comedy on our party line. I shall be glad when our round dozen subscribers are cut down to three or four with new equipment. It will make for better telephone service. But it won't be as much fun.



P. M. Richards, Financial Editor

Geography of Germany Impedes Allied Task

By GILBERT C. LAYTON

Saturday Night's Financial Correspondent in London

While Britain feels that the revival of Europe depends upon a certain level being maintained in German industry, Russia—naturally suspicious of any level which would enable Germany to attack her again—is not at the moment inclined to supply food from the agricultural areas under her control to the western, almost wholly industrial regions under Britain and the U.S. Pending agreement the food situation in western Germany is fast approaching chaos.

The Nazis seem to be the only people benefiting from the present discontent and it is vital, says Mr. Layton, that a united democratic Germany, which the majority of Germans would be willing to support, should replace the present mixture of administra-

London.

GERMANY will present an awkward background to the peacetreaty discussions due to begin in a few weeks, one year after the capitulation. More urgent questions than the treaty are at present being tackled: the food situation in the West has now become so desperate that policy towards Germany has come up for review in a new light.

It is unfortunate that the whole treatment of the German question has been political, with a humanitarian element intruding here and there, but very little reference to the economic realities apart from which no stable policy can ever be formulated. The Potsdam Conference achieved the synthesis of Allied policies, but almost as soon as the Three Power declaration was made the reaction set in, and since the various military governments took over there has never been a common policy.

This would not be a desperately serious matter if Germany were a homogeneous country, but, with a preponderance of industry in the West and of agriculture in the East, conditions are liable to become chaotic if the various administrations fail to agree. Conditions very near chaos are already threatened in the industrial zones.

If the Western and Eastern Allies really trusted each other the conflict

would never arise, and if industry and agriculture were evenly distributed the conflict, supposing it did arise, would be much less acute. But while one group of powers has control of the industrial heart of Germany—and of Europe—and another controls the bulk of her food supply, suspicions and disagreements are multiplied tenfold.

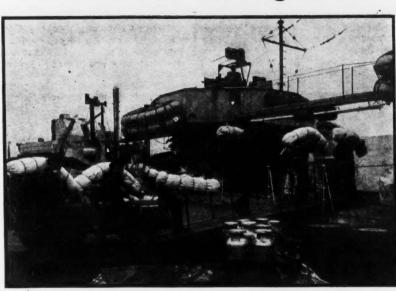
Geography happens to have left the bulk of German industry to be administered by the Western Allies, and, failing agreement as to the proper level to which that industry should be reduced, the victors of the Eastern provinces show little willingness to put into a common pool the foodstuffs which their zone would normally supply to the West.

The Russians' insistence on de-industrialization is due quite simply to the fact that they do not intend again to be threatened by Germany. In their own zone they have shown no desire to "annihilate" the German state: on the contrary, they have coerced the population into rehabilitating itself. For they have no fear that the Germans in their zone constitute a threat to future security.

But in, for instance, the recent dispute on the level of German steel production, the Russians were prepared to make only a limited compromise against the British demand that annual output should be at the rate of 7,000,000 tons agreed as the allowable productive capacity. In this opposition can be quite clearly seen a suspicion of any revival of German

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Royal Canadian Naval Cadets Get Practical Training at Sea



When naval cadets leave their classrooms at the Royal Canadian Naval College at Royal Roads, B.C., for weekends of practical training at sea, they get their training in seamanship and engineroom duties on board one of the most completely modern warships afloat, H.M.C.S. "Crescent". Laden down with hammocks and kit-bags, this party of 23 cadets are boarding the destroyer on one of the nine planned week-end cruises arranged for the Canadian Navy's potential officers who graduate as midshipmen from the College in two years. Below: In the transmitting station for ship's guns, WO. E. Robbins, R.C.N., Victoria, B.C., the gunnery officer, instructs Cadet George Osborne, Montreal, (right) how range is applied to Admiralty fire control plot. Since guns are trained, elevated and fired by remote control, gun-crews only have to load them.



One of the lessons in practical seamanship. "Let go starboard anchor."



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THE BUSINESS ANGLE

Distribution Costs Too High?

By P. M. RICHARDS

Of all the accusations levelled against modern business, there is probably only one that would win almost universal support. This is the charge that the cost of distributing the products of industry is unjustifiably high; that too much of the purchase price represents the cost of putting the goods in the buyer's hands and too little the value of the goods themselves. Not only are distribution costs definitely higher than they used to be, but it seems that they are likely to go higher yet.

Looking back over the last 75 years, we find that in 1870 distribution costs accounted for only about 25 per cent of the consumer's dollar, production costs for 75 per cent. By 1930 distribution expenses had increased to 50 per cent. In 1939, 59 per cent of the consumer's dollar went for distribution and 41 per cent for the cost of production. The trend is still upward. Strange to say, a check-up indicates that this is quite a proper procedure and in the public interest, since a higher distribution cost commonly results in a lower price to the consumer. That is, it should do so. If it doesn't, there is real ground for consumer concern.

Explanation of this paradox is found in a recent lecture at the University of Toronto by Don Francisco of the J. Walter Thompson Co., New York. Mr. Francisco pointed out that the cobbler who makes shoes for those who call at his shop has no distribution expenses. But if he could sell 100 times as many he could introduce machinery and make shoes for much less. To do this he must be prepared to shoulder additional expense for freight, dealer margins and

In 1850 it required 15,500 man-hours to make 1,000 pairs of medium-grade men's shoes. In 1936, by the use of machines and mass production methods, it took only 935 man-hours to manufacture 1,000 pairs of comparable quality. This change from hand labor to machine production resulted in a revolutionary reduction in production costs. At the same time there was a consequent increase in distribution costs in order to achieve the necessary volume. The size and importance of the marketing task has increased enormously.

Cobbler's Disappearance Proves Point

The fact that the cobbler has passed out of the picture as a maker of shoes is evidence in itself that, notwithstanding the increased distribution costs of manufactured shoes, the total cost to the consumer is less for comparable quality. Of course the large shoe manufacturer, selling in a wide market, has to do more than produce shoes for less than the cobbler. He has to manufacture shoes for enough less to cover his added distribution costs for financing, transporting, warehousing and selling. If he couldn't do that, the cobblers would still be in business. But doing it, the

fact that he has incurred additional expenses for distribution is unimportant to the public.

Thus it is apparent that the 59 per cent which goes for distribution is partly responsible for the economies of mass production and therefore for keeping production expenses down to 41 per cent. The fact is that distribution cost should be considered as an integral part of total cost. From the consumer's viewpoint, the important thing is not the ratio between production and distribution costs but the total which he must pay for a pair of shoes. If the over-all cost is reduced by adding distribution expenses, then the net result is a gain for the community.

Percentage figures do not reveal actual costs but only the ratio between the expenses of production and the expenses of distribution. The percentage cost of distribution may be rising while the actual unit of distribution may be declining. Suppose, for example, that by hand labor it cost \$750 to produce certain goods in 1870 and \$250, or 25 per cent of the total cost, to distribute these goods. Then assume that by development of machine methods the cost of production is cut to \$250. If the cost of distribution remains constant at \$250, it still has gone up in percentage from 25 to 50 per cent. It appears to have doubled, but actually the price to the consumer is down to \$500, half of the original cost.

Long-Term Price Trend Is Downward

Innumerable articles which carry a seemingly heavy sales and advertising expense show a gradual long-term reduction in the purchase price of the finished article: automobiles, radios, refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, washing machines, long distance telephone rates, and an almost endless list of commodities and services. The increase in the cost of distribution is due to two factors: (1) the lowering of unit production costs through mass production methods involving new machines and improved techniques; and (2) increasing efforts to get wider distribution and greater sales in order to make the economies of mass production possible.

There is no sound reason, said Mr. Francisco in his lecture, why we should be alarmed by this trend. The only vital questions are these: (1) Were these costs wisely incurred? (2) Do they make increased production economically possible? (3) Is the final result a more varied and better standard of living for more people? The commonly used percentage figures are sometimes misleading, the lecturer emphasized. They do not reveal actual costs. The actual cost of distribution may be declining while the percentage cost is rising. Costs can be trimmed by better sales training, more effective advertising, more efficient store-keeping improvements in cost accounting, careful study of operating data, pre-testing products and advertising, and greater use of market research.

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The French want the Ruhr to be ternationalized, and the British, ss decidedly, tend to the same solun. The United States seems rather red of a heavy European commitent which has brought a good deal trouble considerably further from national frontiers than it is from partners', and she may feel that r point of view is adequately rep-sented by Britain. The French sistence is, naturally enough, on curity. British policy is more con-rned with the revival of a strong rope; and, since German heavy instry is regarded as Europe's heart, ey want to see some vitality in the nenish-Westphalian region, whether belongs to Germany or is adminered for all Europe. In this attitude her Russians see possibilities of a potentially hostile Western Bloc, and they vigorously oppose it.

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The result of these suspicions is somewhat paradoxical: a situation which satisfies no single one of the allies and is yet utterly objectionable of the Germans. The zoning of Germany has, by common consent, been failure. It may be that, as things were, no other system of administration would have been workable, wen to the limited extent that zoning has proved workable. If it was impossible for the Allies to agree among themselves, then perhaps they would never have been able to govern Germany at all on the basis of a common command for the whole country. But the compromise certainly corries serious dangers

tainly carries serious dangers.

The inequality of conditions between the East and the West is steadily widening, and it is apparent on every plane. Politically, the Russians are encouraging a vigorous activity of a united Left, while in the West there are many parties, none particularly sponsored by the occupying forces, and mostly more concerned to make political capital out of the recurrent difficulties than to contribute to their solution.

Revolutionary Changes

Organizationally, the Russians have carried through revolutionary economic changes, in land reforms, nationalization of industries, and workers' participation; while the pre-Hitler economy, with its mixed virtues and faults, is gradually being restored in the West. As regards food, most vital question of the moment, a fairly generous level of rationing has now been established in the East, while the industrial areas under British command are approaching a state of starvation.

If the food level of 1,000 calories a day is established in the British zone and it may be reduced lower still—no degree of organization and no incentives can prevent a turn for the worse in the movement towards recovery. At the worst, there may be disturbances on a major scale. In any event, hunger in the individual and lethargy in the economy will inevitably discredit Western democracy in German eyes.

There is only one group which

There is only one group which stands to gain from this situation. It is the one group which the Allies have, jointly and severally, sworn to eradicate: the convinced Nazis. Unless the German problem can be solved, on the lines which satisfy the needs of Europe—and at the same time satisfy the Russians' intense desire for security, there can be no lasting peace.

First of all, confidence among the leading powers will have to be restored. Then a united democratic Germany, which the majority of Germans would undoubtedly be willing to support, must replace the confused mixture of administrations, so that the country can push ahead with peaceful reconstruction, without even the vague hope that differences among the victors will offer the chance for further nationalistic ag-

There is still vitality in Germany, and it ought to be used. The world needs all the productive power at its disposal, to repair the damage of war and to build a new peace. It is in every nation's interest to encourage this effort, provided that it can never again be turned to destructive purposes.

NEWS OF THE MINES

Large Ore Tonnage Indicated on New Buffalo Ankerite Claims

By JOHN M. GRANT

IN DEVELOPMENT work to date on the new claims (the Wright property) lying to the north of the main No. 5 shaft, Buffalo Ankerite Gold Mines has proven the extension of large ore bodies of good grade which have already been mined to the south of the shaft. The three claims and a fraction were acquired last summer and by the end of the year over 73,000 tons of better than average grade had already been developed, and diamond drilling had indicated that there is a substantial block of ore from the 350 to the 3,250 - foot horizon. Edward G. Kinkel, president, in the annual report for 1945, expresses the hope that this new area will open up a substantial amount of tonnage during 1946, which will enable increased tonnage and at the same time permit further exploration and development of the numerous mining claims acquired or leased by the company, which, because of lack of manpower remain completely unexplored and undeveloped up to the present time.

The continued decrease of miners during the year caused a further decline in tonnage of 16.04% and ore reserves were lower at Buffalo Ankerite Gold Mines. The decrease in ore reserves however, is offset in part, President Kinkel points out, by the extensive increase of possible ore now under development and which cannot be included in the positive or proven ore. The company engineers estimate the value of ore reserves (244,556 tons at January 1) at \$7.894 per ton. Although no positive statements can be made as to the grade for the current year, Mr. Kinkel states there is a possibility of an increase in grade and a substan-tial increase in tonnage. Bullion recovery in 1945 was \$1,253,829, or 20.77% below the previous year. net loss from operations of \$151,923 was shown and net working capital was lower at. \$501,403. Up to the end of 1945 total production from the present and predecessor com-panies has been \$27,686,851 from 4,164,444 tons. Dividends paid totalled \$2,767,925. Only one dividend of five cents per share was paid last year but, Mr. Kinkel expects that barring unforeseen difficulties or increased labor costs, the payment of dividends should be resumed this year.

Fair success was met with in locating new bodies in exploration work in 1945 at Coniaurum Mines which was pursued in many places from the 700-foot level to the deepest horizon at 5,500 feet. Several of the new ore bodies have been partly explored, the annual report states. They occur in the north porphyry mass. All of these promise to be of major importance and will supply considerable millfeed for future operations. The major portion of development last year was confined to the lower levels and ore developed in porphyry was on the following levels:-4,500, 4,750, 5,000 and 5,500-foot. Broken ore reserves at the end of the year stood at 81,047 tons as compared with 82,998 a year previous. Oper-ating conditions continue to remain difficult and little improvement is in sight at present, states Thayer Lindsley, president. Net profit per share was 10.33 cents against 7.95 cents in 1944. At the year-end, the net working capital including supplies, with securities taken at market value, remains at the satisfactory figure of \$1,339,247, comments Mr.

While development at Canadian Malartic Gold Mines in 1945 was restricted owing to the shortage of experienced miners, an expanded drilling program made it possible to increase the probable ore reserve position to the equivalent under the present operating conditions of an ore supply for five years at full milling capacity, states E. V. Neelands, president, in the annual report. In addition, there is indicated a further considerable tonnage of marginal ore, but if costs increase, much of the lower grade tonnage now available may be progressively eliminated. Ore reserves are 130,000 tons higher than a year previous and the average grade seven cents a ton lower. The operating results for (Continued on Page 43)



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It is recommended that answers to inquiries in this departmen read in conjunction with the Business and Market Forecast.

P.H.F., Hamilton, Ont. - The consolidated net income (U.S. currency) of INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM CO., LTD., for 1945 was \$14,137,939, equivalent to 97 cents per share as compared with \$18,146,218 or \$1.25 per share for 1944. This reduction, the annual report states, was due principled to the compared with the states. principally to expanded activities requiring additional personnel, higher salaries and wages, more extensive social benefits to employees, higher prices for materials and exceptionally heavy equipment and maintenance costs resulting from wartime replacement difficulties. The company's current net position at Dec. 31 was \$48,966,058 as compared with \$46,115,681 in 1944.

L.H.W., St. Catharines, Ont .- The three stocks you inquire about all appear to hold speculative possibilities but the extent of capital appreciation is necessarily dependent on results of further developments. CUYUNI GOLDFIELDS owns gold producing properties, comprising concessions on extensive acreage in British Guiana, S.A. Production to June, 1945, was approximately \$770,000 from 60,000 tons of ore treated and is now earning profits of \$25,000 to \$30,000 monthly. The company recently reported new financial arrangements for the expansion of operations. It is hoped to raise the milling rate to 200 tons daily by midsummer. Sinking of a three-compartment shaft to 500 feet is underway. Including ore indicated by diamond drilling the ore reserve estimate totals approximately 300,000 tons. A large sulphide zone has been indicated at MACDONALD MINES and from drilling results to date officials expect large tonnages of gold, silver and copper are likely to occur. The zone is estimated to contain approximately 40,000,000 tons. Plans are now progressing for construction of the smelter and refinery. Two subsidiary companies are being formed, one to build the smelter and refinery, while the other will deal with recovery and marketing of sulphur and iron. Sink-

BUSINESS AND MARKET FORECAST

Throes of Reconversion

By HARUSPEX

THE ONE TO TWO-YEAR NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TREND:

THE ONE TO TWO-YEAR NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TIGEND: With reconversion expected to be well completed by mid-year, the one to two-year market trend, while subject to occasional intermediate interruption, such as that witnessed in February, is regarded as forward. THE INTERMEDIATE, OR SEVERAL-MONTH TREND: Should both the railroad and industrial averages decisively penetrate the April highs, resumption of the intermediate trend will be indicated, with advance dating from the February lows.

The Broad pattern of the N.Y. and Canadian stock markets and business activity presented herein over recent years has been to the effect that the primary upturn commencing in 1942, while subject to interruption from time to time, would probably not end until both war had been concluded and postwar replenishment of war shortages had been accomplished. The replenishment period, which has now been en-tered, should easily carry for another one to two years, and probably

tered, should easily carry for another one to two years, and probably will extend to the end of the decade.

Looking to the intermediate or one to several-month trend of the market and business, the month of February witnessed the sharpest decline, both in prices and capitalistic psychology, that has occurred since the war's end. A setback of this character, to the probability of which we had previously called attention, although we had assumed it would be deeper and more protracted, may be attributed to the throes of reconversion, or the period of readjustment from war to peacetime activity. The occasion for the unsettlement was the wage advances throughout industry projected by the steel settlement, and indications that O.P.A. and W.P.T.B. would not recognize these advances by temporarily bearing down on industry earnings.

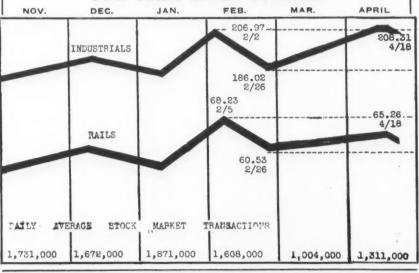
that O.P.A. and W.P.T.B. would not recognize these advances by temporarily bearing down on industry earnings.

While it is not fully apparent that the period of interim unsettlement has ended, Congress, by extending O.P.A. beyond June 30 next, is showing some disposition to force a greater degree of recognition on the part of O.P.A. to the profit motive in obtaining a maximum output of goods. It appears, therefore, that the O.P.A. threat is gradually receding as a dominant market force. On this basis, and assuming early settlement of the coal strike, it would seem, in due course, that the main upward movement should be resumed.

Such resumption, in our opinion, would be inferred, either (1) by

Such resumption, in our opinion, would be inferred, either (1) by early entrance of the stock market, on advancing volume, decisively into new high ground as would be reflected by closes in both the Dow-Jones railroad and industrial averages at or above 209.32 and 66.38, respectively, or (2) market recession over the weeks ahead in which weakness was confined within the extreme low range of later February with volume of trading tending to dry up on the recession.

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By Order of the Board,

I. N. WILSON, Comptroller.

Calgary, Alberta, April 26th, 1946.

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ng of a shaft to 800 feet is planned by PICCADILLY PORCUPINE GOLD MINES (formerly Orpit Mines) and three levels are to be established. Recent diamond drilling has suggestd the extension of ore possibilities. ndicated reserves are estimated at 300,000 tons between the 400 and 800oot horizons.

B. T. F., Montreal, Que. - CANADA OUNDRIES & FORGINGS had a 1945 net profit of \$128,193, comparing vith \$123,464 for 1944. Operating rofit amounted to \$300,931, compared with \$398,404 in 1944. W. M. Weir. president, reports there is a substanial balance of unfilled orders on and, and that some previously re-tricted lines should produce a satisactory rate of operations in 1946.

A.C.W., Ann Arbor, Mich. - Yes, ASTORIA ROUYN MINES was suceeded in 1938 by Astoria Quebec Mines on the basis of one new for two old shares and these can be exchanged by the Capital Trust Corporation, Toronto or Montreal. The company resumed underground development last year to follow up new indications. Extensive diamond drilling has been done and while results of this did not prove altogether conclusive there was talk of the possibility of a mill with capacity of 500 On the basis of the drilling indications, officials are hopeful of proving up a large tonnage of low grade material. Four zones were located in the drilling campaign.

L.D.S., Calgary, Alta.—Yes, UNIT-ED SECURITIES LTD. had another

net loss in the year ended March 31, 1946, amounting to \$31,874, compared with \$26,283 for the previous year. Balance sheet figures show investments at \$8,339,966 with a market value of \$3,342,796. This compares with \$8,310,125 with a value of \$2,584,-

187. James Wilson, president, states that no dividend was received during the year on the common shares of Canadian Light and Power Co. held by the company.

D.K.C., Portage la Prairie, Man. Assets of RED LAKE CENTRE were acquired by New Red Lake Centre Mines for 1,000,000 shares. I underthe latter still holds the ground but have heard of no recent activity or plans for new work. Your RED LAKE GOLD SHORE shares are exchangeable for Hasaga Gold Mines on the basis of one new for each 18 of Red Lake Gold Shore. The Trusts and Guarantee Company, Toronto, is the transfer agent. A producing lead-zinc property is owned by JACK WAITE MINING COM-PANY from which it receives 65% of the profits. The outlook here appears to depend on the locating of additional ore. Operating profit in 1944 was \$56,681, but after all deductions a net loss of \$8,132 was shown.

A. G. S., Toronto, Ont. — WILSIL LTD. has reported for 1945 a net profit of \$231,996, or \$1.71 per share against \$207,842 or \$1.53 per share for 1944. This included the refundable tax of 21 cents in 1945 and three cents in 1944. Net working capital was increased from \$1,633,944 to \$1,-

B.M.F., Exeter, Ont.—A program of deep diamond drilling was recently commenced at the property of WAL-CORO PORCUPINE MINES, in Godfrey township, at which time it was reported a second drill was being arranged for to expand the work, but so far I have not heard of the results of this exploration. Surface work was done by the former operators and the present work is to test the series of veins uncovered in previous prospecting for values and continuity.

Dominion Malting

THE new addition to the plant of 1 Dominion Malting Company Limited, recently brought into production, comes at a time when the domestic consumption is taxing the capacity of the industry in Canada and should result in increased earnings for the company. This addition is capable of producing 1,150,000 bushels of malt annually and brings the company's total capacity to 2,500,000 bushels. A short time ago it was announced that anadian Breweries Limited had acuired a majority of the voting shares f Dominion Malting Company so hat the company is assured of a large market for its product in the omestic market and when conditions permit export business, which bulked arge prior to the war, can be resumed.

Net profit for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1945, of \$105,094 was equal to \$1.04 per share and compared with \$133,804 and \$1.52 a share for the preceding year. The company maintained maximum production throughout the 1944-1945 fiscal perod but entered that year with low tocks of malt on hand and shipments were limited to the amount of malt produced with the result that net proit was lower than in the previous ear. Surplus of \$535,193 at July 31, 945, compares with \$495,245 at July 1, 1944.

The company's net working capital the end of the 1944-1945 fiscal year eflects the capital expenditures in onnection with the addition to the plant. Net working capital at July 1, 1945, of \$712,972 was down from 833,918 at July 31, 1944, but in the same period gross book value of fixed assets increased from \$646,351 to \$1.-

806, 601. Part of the funds for the capital expenditures were provided through the sale of an issue of \$850,-000 of bonds. Current assets of \$1,-871,457 included cash of \$32,099 and Dominion bonds of \$1,111,537. Current liabilities totalled \$1,158,485.

Funded debt of Dominion Malting Company Limited at July 31, 1945, consisted of \$807,500 of 3½% and 334% serial bonds maturing in annual instalments 1946-1965, inclusive. The outstanding capital comprised 8,500 shares of 5% cumulative redeemable sinking fund preferred stock of \$100 par value and 66,800 common shares of no par value. The preferred shares are redeemable at 105 and accrued dividend on 30 days notice. Dividends are paid to date on the preferred stock. An initial quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share was paid on the currently outstanding common November 1944 and continued on this basis to date.

Dominion Malting Company Limited was incorporated in 1927 with a Dominion Charter. The plant is located at Transconia, Manitoba, and includes storage and elevator facilit-

Price range and price earnings ratio from date of listing in 1944 to date follows:

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a-For Fiscal Year ended July 31, 1945. COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

COMPARATIVE	STATISTICS		
Year Ended July 31-	1945	1944	
Net Profit	\$ 105,094	\$133,804	
Surplus	535,193	495,245	
Current Assets	1,871,457	929,491	
Current Liabilities	1,158,485	95,573	
Net Working Capital	712,972	833.918	

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ABOUT INSURANCE

Increase in Motor Accidents Pose Social and Business Problems

By GEORGE GILBERT

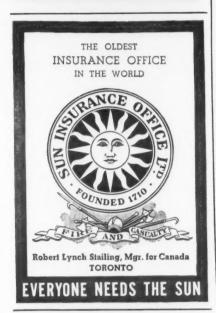
Despite the existence of traffic laws and financial responsibility laws, there has been no noticeable reduction in the number or severity of automobile accidents. Nor have such laws ensured satisfactory compensation in the case of many of the innocent victims of these accidents.

Consequently, the whole question of automobile accidentshow to control or eliminate the small percentage of motorists who cause virtually all the accidents, and how to provide proper compensation for the victims -has become a social as well as a business problem of prime im-

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 $O_{\mathrm{by}}^{\mathrm{NE}}$ of the facts often overlooked by the purchasers of automobile insurance is that the amount of the losses paid in the settlement of claims under automobile policies measures the amount which, in addition to an amount for expenses and a profit, if possible, on the transaction, must be collected in the way of premiums, if the organiza-tions engaged in the business of insuring motorists are to remain solvent and continue in existence.

Accordingly, when losses increase the rates for automobile insurance are increased, and increases in rates have a decided tendency to discourage the purchase of insurance. Thus the insurance business has an economical as well as a humanitarian interest in the promotion of greater safety on our streets and highways and in the reduction of the number and severity of motor accidents.

It is well recognized by those charged with the administration of safety regulations and traffic laws where the human element is involved, it is not possible to devise any system of regulation which will effect absolute control. Since the main cause of traffic accidents is the human element—the person at the wheel—the difficulty of finding a wholly satisfactory solution of the traffic accident problem is ap-

Present Laws Ineffective

It is also true that the enactment of financial responsibility laws or compulsory insurance laws has not brought about a sufficient decrease in the number and severity of these traffic accidents, nor has it resulted in satisfactory compensation in the case of many innocent victims of such accidents. In the opinion of some competent observers, the problem of automobile accidents has become a social one and must be dealt with as such.

It may be recalled that some time ago a committee liberally financed the Rockefeller Foundation completed a two-year investigation of a proposed automobile accident compensation plan. It employed a large number of investigators, statisticians, actuaries and an insurance adviser, and the general principles of the compensation plan developed as a result of their labors set aside liability for compensation based on fault or negligence, and proposed that the losses caused by automobile accidents be shifted to the whole body of motorists as a class or to all

There is a good deal of support for the view that the time has come for serious consideration of the principle that the economic burden imposed by automobile accidents must be borne by society in general. The opinion has been frequently expressed that it has become the duty of society to care for these casualties which, in a broad sense, are mainly caused by the conditions of modern life from which society has offered no release. These accidents not only involve motorists and pedestrians but affect the whole

Medical-Hospital Care

It is suggested that if fault must involved before there is any liability for compensation, provision should at least be made for medical and hospital relief in advance of proof of such liability, leaving the questions of permanent disability and damages, etc., for decision according to the present doctrine of liability based on fault or negligence.

One of the plans suggested to ensure payment of medical and hospital expenses of motor accident victims was to require establishment of financial responsibility, separate and distinct from insurance, by means of what was called a Driver's License Bond. Every applicant for a driver's license would be required to file a bond, guaranteeing the payment of

medical and hospital expenses only, to a limit prescribed by law.

It is claimed that this plan would not interfere with the present system of voluntary insurance, but that, on the contrary, would probably stimulate its sale, as the bonding company could accept an insurance policy as a guarantee or as collateral under bond. It would not prevent drivers who could not obtain insurance from getting a bond if they had collateral to post with the bonding company.

Of course this plan would prevent those persons from getting a license who could not furnish a bond, either through inability to furnish collateral or inability to obtain insurance on account of a poor driving record or poor reputation.

Although any reasonable plan for the solution of our serious motor accident problem by requiring all applicants for a driver's license to furnish a bond of this kind is deserving of careful consideration, there are difficulties in the way of securing the support of the motoring public for it, as it is a compulsory measure, applicable to all drivers, good, bad and indifferent. These motorists form a powerful section of the community, and a campaign of education would likely be necessary in order to gain their support.

Faulty Habits Ingrained

In the meantime there is room and need for more education in safe driving on the part of three-quarters of present day motorists. For the most part, drivers are normal, intelligent people, but their faulty driving habits are so ingrained that there is little hope of much improvement without more drastic enforcement of traffic laws and more adequate testing techniques before the issuance of a driver's license.

Evidently many motorists are motivated in the observance of traffic laws principally by the fear of getting caught and the consequent penalty. There is little inherent respect for these laws, and the observance of them is usually not seriously considered from the standpoint of their main purpose, which is to protect the motorist himself as well as the public.

It is not always realized that drivers differ radically in the skill with which they drive or can be taught to drive a motor vehicle, and in their resultant susceptibility to accident. While estimates as to the actual percentage of accident-prone drivers, it is agreed that most of the mishaps result from the faults of a few drivers. One estimate is that fifteen per cent of the drivers cause nearly one hundred per cent of the accidents.

How to eliminate this small percentage of motorists who cause virtually all of the accidents is the prob-

Modern testing techniques, lem. while not perfect, can be utilized to determine the accident-prone, with sufficient accuracy to warrant their use by insurance companies in fixing rates, by licensing authorities in ascertaining who should be permitted to operate an automobile, and by police departments in determining when a motorist is in fit condition to drive a car.

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E.M.B., Sarnia, Ont turn

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News of the Mines

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the year were roughly equivalent to those of 1944. The tonnage treated was 7,482 tons less, the recovered grade averaged 13 cents per ton higher, and the operating cost per ton milled was 10 cents higher. Net profit per share was 8.75 cents as against 7.27 cents in the previous year. The policy adopted during the war of strengthening the cash position of the company was continued and the working capital increased during the year from \$684,365 to \$833,690, supplies excluded and securities taken at cost.

An increase in net current assets of \$122,847 is reported by Broulan Porcupine Mines for 1945 and the annual report also shows a continuation during the year of the program of exploration of outside properties in its search for a new mine. A decrease was shown in net profits, tonnage milled, average grade and ore reserves. Net profit of 1.46 cents per share compared with 3.98 cents in the previous year. Tonnage milled was down from 100,481 in 1944 to 89,392 tons, and the average per ton was \$7.31 against \$7.66. Ore reserves at the end of the year were estimated at 245,000 tons, having an average grade of \$6.93, as compared with 345,000 a year previous. Net working capital is \$815,674, taking investments at cost of \$378,336, while market value on December 31 was \$914,558. During the year 17 laims were staked in Garrison and Michaud townships on the assumed extension of the Porcupine break and 18 claims in the Horwood Lake The report contains a brief review of the outside companies and properties in which it is interested and these include Bonetal Gold Mines, Porcupine Reef Gold Mines, Goldhawk Porcupine Mines, and Ronnoco Gold Mines. Over 4,000 acres is held in Stock township and additional ground is under option.

Obalski (1945) Limited plans to extend its present operations now that the Province of Quebec intends to build a motor road to the Chibougamau area. An extensive diamond drilling program is to be carried out on the Cache Bay properties with a view to extending indicated ore bodies. This will be followed by further development including diamond drilling on the Portage Island group. Plans for the development of the Portage Island, a 2,000 acre mining concession, have been held in abeyance awaiting assurance of cheap transportation. This island holds the original gold discovery of the Chilbougamau area.

Activities of Gunnar Gold Mines have been retarded during the war years by Government restrictions and shortages of labor, states G. A. LaBine, president, in the annual report for 1945. However, now that these restrictions have been removed and labor conditions are improving, it is the intention to seriously investigate the various properties the company is interested in, with a to resuming active mining operations. A strong liquid position s shown by the balance sheet. Marketable securities shown on the books at cost, \$573,680, have a quoted books at rost, \$573,680, have a quoted market value of \$654,669, an increase in value during the year of \$80,989. Other investments at cost total

\$125,580. Included in the company's assest are \$400,000 Dominion of Canada Victory Bonds. Options were taken on properties in Guibord and Hislop townships, adjoining the Ross Mine (Hollinger controlled). Some interesting conditions were disclosed by drilling on the Byberg claims in Guibord township and work is to be resumed this spring. Approximately 47% of issued shares of Ogama-Rockland Gold Mines are held by Gunnar.

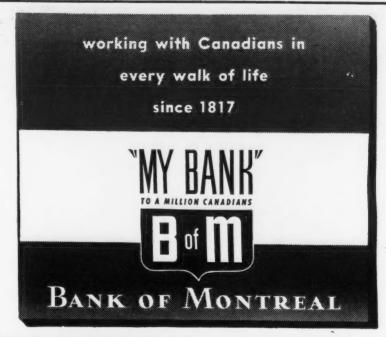
A surface diamond drilling campaign is planned for the current year by Bonetal Gold Mines in order to explore large areas of the property which have not yet been adequately explored, particularly on the most westerly claims, including the Drew claim, to which title was recently acquired, which is of particular interest in view of favorable results reported by adjoining properties. The drive from the adjoining Hall-nor 2 160 foot level was extended 823 nor 2,160-foot level was extended 823 feet westerly last year and 613 feet of this total was in Bonetal ground. Diamond drill stations were cut at intervals along the drift to allow for drilling in all directions. A net profit before deduction of depreciation and deferred development of \$43,426 was shown. In order to provide funds for the exploration of the property from the Hallnor workings 300,000 treasury shares were sold at 15 cents per share, which necessitated increasing the authorized capitalization from 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 shares. During the year 25,828 tons were treated and production totalled \$168,826.

Mining plant, equipment and all supplies required for underground development of Colomac Yellowknife Mines, in the Indian Lake area,

reached the property by tractor train on April 20 and an experienced mining crew was expected a few days later. Preparatory work for commencement of tunnels will start immediately and it is expected drifting will be underway by the end of May. The underground program will be prosecuted simultaneously on the Colomac and Indian Lake Gold properties.

McWatters Gold Mines was active in 1945 in seeking to acquire new mining properties. The company's holdings in the Opawika area, in the Abitibi district of Quebec, were increased from 35 to 100 claims by purchase and staking. Interesting gold values were obtained on this ground and it is planned to further explore their possibilities during the coming season. During the year the mining and milling plant and buildings connected therewith, together with mining equipment and supplies were sold for \$100,000 cash. The original property in Rouyn township, however, is still retained. Current assets amount to \$409,775 against current liabilities of \$3,621. Marketable securities are shown at cost of \$279,401, while market value at the end of the year was \$297,942.

In the opinion of Dr. W. F. James and Dr. O. L. Backman, consulting geologists, drilling results at the Porcupine Reef Gold Mines property, have given sufficient indications of commercial ore to justify the sinking of a shaft and the development of the property underground. As a consequence the directors have authorized the sinking of a three-compartment shaft to a depth of possibly 1,000 feet and the development of the indicated ore zone on (Continued on Page 44)







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SATURDAY NIGHT, TORONTO, CANADA, MAY 4, 1946

P. M. Richards, Financial Editor

Geography of Germany Impedes Allied Task

By GILBERT C. LAYTON

Saturday Night's Financial Correspondent in London

While Britain feels that the revival of Europe depends upon a certain level being maintained in German industry, Russia-naturally suspicious of any level which would enable Germany to attack her again—is not at the moment inclined to supply food from the agricultural areas under her control to the western, almost wholly industrial regions under Britain and the U.S. Pending agreement the food situation in western Germany is fast approaching chaos.

The Nazis seem to be the only people benefiting from the present discontent and it is vital, says Mr. Layton, that a united democratic Germany, which the majority of Germans would be willing to support, should replace the present mixture of administra-

CERMANY will present an awkward background to the peacetreaty discussions due to begin in a few weeks, one year after the capitulation. More urgent questions than the treaty are at present being tackled: the food situation in the West has now become so desperate that policy towards Germany has come up for review in a new light.

It is unfortunate that the whole treatment of the German question has been political, with a humanitarian element intruding here and there, but very little reference to the economic realities apart from which no stable policy can ever be formulated. The Potsdam Conference achieved the synthesis of Allied policies, but almost as soon as the Three Power declaration was made the reaction set in, and since the various military governments took over there has never been a common policy.

This would not be a desperately serious matter if Germany were a homogeneous country, but, with a preponderance of industry in the West and of agriculture in the East, conditions are liable to become chaotic if the various administrations fail to agree. Conditions very near chaos are already threatened in the industrial zones.

If the Western and Eastern Allies really trusted each other the conflict

would never arise, and if industry and agriculture were evenly distrib-uted the conflict, supposing it did arise, would be much less acute. But while one group of powers has con-trol of the industrial heart of Ger-many—and of Europe—and another controls the bulk of her food supply, suspicions and disagreements are multiplied tenfold.

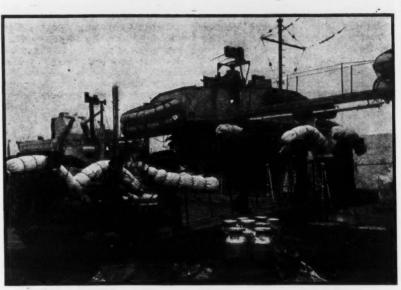
Geography happens to have left the bulk of German industry to be administered by the Western Allies, and, failing agreement as to the proper level to which that industry should be reduced, the victors of the Eastern provinces show little willingness to put into a common pool the foodstuffs which their zone would normally supply to the West.

The Russians' insistence on de-industrialization is due quite simply to the fact that they do not intend again to be threatened by Germany. In their own zone they have shown no desire to "annihilate" the German state: on the contrary, they have coerced the population into rehabilitating itself. For they have no fear that the Germans in their zone constitute a threat to future security.

But in, for instance, the recent dispute on the level of German steel production, the Russians were pre-pared to make only a limited com-promise against the British demand that annual output should be at the rate of 7,000,000 tons agreed as the allowable productive capacity. In this opposition can be quite clearly seen a suspicion of any revival of German

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Royal Canadian Naval Cadets Get Practical Training at Sea



When naval cadets leave their classrooms at the Royal Canadian Naval College at Royal Roads, B.C., for weekends of practical training at sea, they get their training in seamanship and engineroom duties on board one of the most completely modern warships afloat, H.M.C.S. "Crescent". Laden down with hammocks and kit-bags, this party of 23 cadets are boarding the destroyer on one of the nine planned week-end cruises arranged for the Canadian Navy's potential officers who graduate as midshipmen from the College in two years. Below: In the transmitting station for ship's guns, WO. E. Robbins, R.C.N., Victoria, B.C., the gunnery officer, instructs Cadet George Osborne, Montreal, (right) how range is applied to Admiralty fire control plot. Since guns are trained, elevated and fired by remote control, gun-crews only have to load them.



One of the lessons in practical seamanship. "Let go starboard anchor."



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THE BUSINESS ANGLE

Distribution Costs Too High?

By P. M. RICHARDS

OF all the accusations levelled against modern business there is a relative O ness, there is probably only one that would win almost universal support. This is the charge that the cost of distributing the products of industry is unjustifiably high; that too much of the purchase price represents the cost of putting the goods in the buyer's hands and too little the value of the goods themselves. Not only are distribution costs definitely higher than they used to be, but it seems that they are likely to go higher yet.

Looking back over the last 75 years, we find that in 1870 distribution costs accounted for only about 25 per cent of the consumer's dollar, production costs for 75 per cent. By 1930 distribution expenses had increased to 50 per cent. In 1939, 59 per cent of the consumer's dollar went for distribution and 41 per cent for the cost of production. The trend is still upward. Strange to say, a check-up indicates that this is quite a proper procedure and in the public interest, since a higher distribution cost commonly results in a lower price to the consumer. That is, it should do so. If it doesn't, there is real ground for consumer concern.

Explanation of this paradox is found in a recent lecture at the University of Toronto by Don Francisco of the J. Walter Thompson Co., New York. Mr. Francisco pointed out that the cobbler who makes shoes for those who call at his shop has no distribution ex-But if he could sell 100 times as many he could introduce machinery and make shoes for much less. To do this he must be prepared to shoulder additional expense for freight, dealer margins and

In 1850 it required 15,500 man-hours to make 1,000 pairs of medium-grade men's shoes. In 1936, by the use of machines and mass production methods, it took only 935 man-hours to manufacture 1,000 pairs of comparable quality. This change from hand labor to machine production resulted in a revolutionary reduction in production costs. At the same time there was a consequent increase in distribution costs in order to achieve the necessary volume. The size and im. portance of the marketing task has increased enor-

Cobbler's Disappearance Proves Point

The fact that the cobbler has passed out of the picture as a maker of shoes is evidence in itself that, notwithstanding the increased distribution costs of manufactured shoes, the total cost to the consumer is less for comparable quality. Of course the large shoe manufacturer, selling in a wide market, has to do more than produce shoes for less than the cobbler. He has to manufacture shoes for enough less to cover his added distribution costs for financing, transporting, warehousing and selling. If he couldn't do that, the cobblers would still be in business. But doing it, the

fact that he has incurred additional expenses for distribution is unimportant to the public.

Thus it is apparent that the 59 per cent which goes for distribution is partly responsible for the economies of mass production and therefore for keeping production expenses down to 41 per cent. The fact is that distribution cost should be considered as an integral part of total cost. From the consumer's viewpoint, the important thing is not the ratio between production and distribution costs but the total which he must pay for a pair of shoes. If the over-all cost is reduced by adding distribution expenses, then the net result is a gain for the community.

Percentage figures do not reveal actual costs but only the ratio between the expenses of production and the expenses of distribution. The percentage cost of distribution may be rising while the actual unit of distribution may be declining. Suppose, for example, that by hand labor it cost \$750 to produce certain goods in 1870 and \$250, or 25 per cent of the total cost, to distribute these goods. Then assume that by development of machine methods the cost of production is cut to \$250. If the cost of distribution remains constant at \$250, it still has gone up in percentage from 25 to 50 per cent. It appears to have doubled, but actually the price to the consumer is down to \$500, half of the original cost.

Long-Term Price Trend Is Downward

Innumerable articles which carry a seemingly heavy sales and advertising expense show a gradual longterm reduction in the purchase price of the finished article: automobiles, radios, refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, washing machines, long distance telephone rates, and an almost endless list of commodities and services. The increase in the cost of distribution is due to two factors: (1) the lowering of unit production costs through mass production methods involving new machines and improved techniques; and (2) increasing efforts to get wider distribution and greater sales in order to make the economies of mass production possible.

There is no sound reason, said Mr. Francisco in his lecture, why we should be alarmed by this trend. The only vital questions are these: (1) Were these costs wisely incurred? (2) Do they make increased production economically possible? (3) Is the final result a more varied and better standard of living for more people? The commonly used percentage figures are sometimes misleading, the lecturer emphasized. They do not reveal actual costs. The actual cost of distribution may be declining while the percentage cost is rising. Costs can be trimmed by better sales training, more effective advertising, more efficient storekeeping improvements in cost accounting, careful study of operating data, pre-testing products and advertising, and greater use of market research.

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The French want the Ruhr to be ternationalized, and the British, ass decidedly, tend to the same solution. The United States seems rather fired of a heavy European commitent which has brought a good deal of trouble considerably further from er national frontiers than it is from partners', and she may feel that ner point of view is adequately represented by Britain. The French insistence is, naturally enough, on curity. British policy is more conmed with the revival of a strong prope; and, since German heavy instry is regarded as Europe's heart, y want to see some vitality in the enish-Westphalian region, whether belongs to Germany or is admin-tered for all Europe. In this attitude the Russians see possibilities of a potentially hostile Western Bloc, and

rey vigorously oppose it.

The result of these suspicions is somewhat paradoxical: a situation hich satisfies no single one of the lies and is yet utterly objectionable the Germans. The zoning of Gerany has, by common consent, been failure. It may be that, as things ere, no other system of administrawould have been workable, ven to the limited extent that zong has proved workable. If it was mpossible for the Allies to agree mong themselves, then perhaps they ould never have been able to govn Germany at all on the basis of common command for the whole ountry. But the compromise cerinly carries serious dangers.

The inequality of conditions be-ween the East and the West is steadly widening, and it is apparent on every plane. Politically, the Russians re encouraging a vigorous activity f a united Left, while in the West here are many parties, none particularly sponsored by the occupying and mostly more concerned o make political capital out of the ecurrent difficulties than to contribite to their solution.

Revolutionary Changes

Organizationally, the Russians have arried through revolutionary ecoomic changes, in land reforms, naionalization of industries, and workers' participation; while the pre-Hitr economy, with its mixed virtues nd faults, is gradually being reored in the West. As regards food, ost vital question of the moment, fairly generous level of rationing s now been established in the East, while the industrial areas under British command are approaching a tate of starvation.

If the food level of 1,000 calories a ay is established in the British zone and it may be reduced lower stillo degree of organization and no inentives can prevent a turn for the vorse in the movement towards reovery. At the worst, there may be disturbances on a major scale. In any event, hunger in the individual and ethargy in the economy will inevitably discredit Western democracy in German eyes.

There is only one group which tands to gain from this situation. is the one group which the Allies have, jointly and severally, sworn to eradicate: the convinced Nazis. Uness the German problem can be solved, on the lines which satisfy the needs of Europe—and at the same ime satisfy the Russians' intense desire for security, there can be no asting peace.

First of all, confidence among the eading powers will have to be retored. Then a united democratic ermany, which the majority of Gernans would undoubtedly be willing o support, must replace the confused mixture of administrations, so that he country can push ahead with peaceful reconstruction, without even the vague hope that differences among the victors will offer the chance for further nationalistic aggression.

There is still vitality in Germany, and it ought to be used. The world needs all the productive power at its disposal, to repair the damage of war and to build a new peace. It is in every nation's interest to encourage this effort, provided that it can never again be turned to destructive pur-

NEWS OF THE MINES

Large Ore Tonnage Indicated on New Buffalo Ankerite Claims

By JOHN M. GRANT

IN DEVELOPMENT work to date on the new claims (the Wright property) lying to the north of the main No. 5 shaft, Buffalo Ankerite Gold Mines has proven the extension of large ore bodies of good grade which have already been mined to the south of the shaft. The three claims and a fraction were acquired last summer and by the end of the year over 73,000 tons of better than average grade had already been developed, and diamond drilling had indicated that there is a substantial block of ore from the 350 to the 3,250 - foot horizon. Edward G. Kinkel, president, in the annual report for 1945, expresses the hope that this new area will open up a substantial amount of tonnage dur-ing 1946, which will enable increased tonnage and at the same time permit further exploration and development of the numerous mining claims acquired or leased by the company, which, because of lack of manpower remain completely unexplored and undeveloped up to the present time.

The continued decrease of miners during the year caused a further decline in tonnage of 16.04% and ore reserves were lower at Buffalo Ankerite Gold Mines. The decrease in ore reserves however, is offset in part, President Kinkel points out, by the extensive increase of possible now under development and which cannot be included in the positive or proven ore. The company engineers estimate the value of ore reserves (244,556 tons at January 1) at \$7.894 per ton. Although no positive statements can be made as to the grade for the current year, Mr. Kinkel states there is a possibility of an increase in grade and a substantial increase in tonnage. Bullion recovery in 1945 was \$1,253,829, or 20.77% below the previous year. A net loss from operations of \$151,923 was shown and net working capital was lower at \$501,403. Up to the end of 1945 total production from the present and predecessor companies has been \$27,686,851 from 4,164,444 tons. Dividends paid totalled \$2,767,925. Only one dividend of five cents per share was paid last year but, Mr. Kinkel expects that barring unforeseen difficulties or increased labor costs, the payment of dividends should be resumed this

Fair success was met with in locating new bodies in exploration work in 1945 at Coniaurum Mines which was pursued in many places from the 700-foot level to the deepest horizon at 5,500 feet. Several of the new ore bodies have been partly explored, the annual report states. They occur in the north porphyry mass. All of these promise to be of major importance and will supply considerable millfeed for future operations. The major portion of develop-ment last year was confined to the lower levels and ore developed in porphyry was on the following levels:-4,500, 4,750, 5,000 and 5,500-foot. Broken ore reserves at the end of the year stood at 81,047 tons as compared with 82,998 a year previous. Operating conditions continue to remain difficult and little improvement is in sight at present, states Thayer Lindsley, president. Net profit per share was 10.33 cents against 7.95 cents in 1944. At the year-end, the net working capital including supplies, with securities taken at market value, remains at the satisfactory figure of \$1,339,247, comments Mr.

While development at Canadian Malartic Gold Mines in 1945 was restricted owing to the shortage of experienced miners, an expanded drilling program made it possible to increase the probable ore reserve position to the equivalent under the present operating conditions of an ore supply for five years at full milling capacity, states E. V. Neelands, president, in the annual report. In addition, there is indicated a further considerable tonnage of marginal ore, but if costs increase, much of the lower grade tonnage now available may be progressively eliminated. Ore reserves are 130,000 tons higher than a year previous and the average grade seven cents a ton lower. The operating results for (Continued on Page 43)



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It is recommended that answers to inquiries in this department be read in conjunction with the Business and Market Forecast

P.H.F., Hamilton, Ont. - The consolidated net income (U.S. currency) of INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM CO., LTD., for 1945 was \$14,137,939, equivalent to 97 cents per share as compared with \$18,146,218 or \$1.25 per share for 1944. This reduction, the annual report states, was due principally to expanded activities remainded. quiring additional personnel, higher salaries and wages, more extensive social benefits to employees, higher prices for materials and exceptionally heavy equipment and mainten-ance costs resulting from wartime replacement difficulties. The company's current net position at Dec. 31 was \$48,966,058 as compared with \$46,115,681 in 1944.

L.H.W., St. Catharines, Ont.—The three stocks you inquire about all appear to hold speculative possibilities but the extent of capital appreciation is necessarily dependent on results of further developments. CUYUNI GOLDFIELDS owns gold producing properties, comprising concessions on

extensive acreage in British Guiana, S.A. Production to June, 1945, was approximately \$770,000 from 60,000 tons of ore treated and is now earning profits of \$25,000 to \$30,000 monthly. The company recently reported new financial arrangements for the expansion of operations. It is hoped to raise the milling rate to 200 tons daily by midsummer. Sinking of a three-compartment shaft to 500 feet is underway. Including ore indicated by diamond drilling the ore reserve estimate totals approximately 300,000 tons. A large sulphide zone has been indicated at MACDONALD MINES and from drilling results to date officials expect large tonnages of gold, silver and copper are likely to occur. The zone is estimated to contain approximately 40,000,000 tons. Plans are now progressing for construction of the smelter and refinery. Two subsidiary companies are being formed, one to build the smelter and refinery, while the other will deal with recovery and marketing of sulphur and iron. Sink-

BUSINESS AND MARKET FORECAST

Throes of Reconversion

By HARUSPEX

THE ONE TO TWO-YEAR NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TREND: With reconversion expected to be well completed by mid-year, the one to two-year market trend, while subject to occasional intermediate interruption, such as that witnessed in February, is regarded as forward.

THE INTERMEDIATE, OR SEVERAL-MONTH TREND: Should both the railroad and industrial averages decisively penetrate the April highs, resumption of the intermediate trend will be indicated, with advance dating from the February lows.

The Broad pattern of the N.Y. and Canadian stock markets and business activity presented herein over recent years has been to the effect that the primary upturn commencing in 1942, while subject to interruption from time to time, would probably not end until both war had been concluded and postwar replenishment of war shortages had been accomplished. The replenishment period, which has now been entered, should easily carry for another one to two years, and probably will extend to the end of the decade.

Looking to the end of the decade.

Looking to the intermediate or one to several-month trend of the market and business, the month of February witnessed the sharpest decline, both in prices and capitalistic psychology, that has occurred since the war's end. A setback of this character, to the probability of which we had previously called attention, although we had assumed it

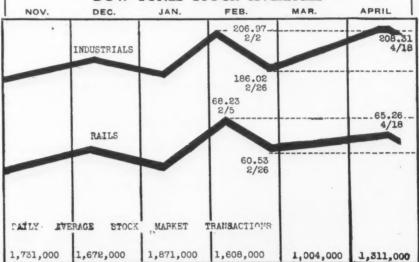
which we had previously called attention, although we had assumed it would be deeper and more protracted, may be attributed to the throes of reconversion, or the period of readjustment from war to peacetime activity. The occasion for the unsettlement was the wage advances throughout industry projected by the steel settlement, and indications that O.P.A. and W.P.T.B. would not recognize these advances by temporarily bearing down on industry earnings.

While it is not fully apparent that the period of interim unsettlement has ended, Congress, by extending O.P.A. beyond June 30 next, is showing some disposition to force a greater degree of recognition on the part of O.P.A. to the profit motive in obtaining a maximum output of goods. It appears, therefore, that the O.P.A. threat is gradually receding as a dominant market force. On this basis, and assuming early settlement of the coal strike, it would seem, in due course, that the main upward movement should be resumed.

Such resumption, in our opinion, would be inferred, either (1) by early entrance of the stock market, on advancing volume, decisively into new high ground as would be reflected by closes in both the Dow-Jones railroad and industrial averages at or above 209.32 and 66.38, respectively, or (2) market recession over the weeks ahead in which weakless was a serviced within the oxtrape low range of later Echrupary

respectively, or (2) market recession over the weeks ahead in which weakness was confined within the extreme low range of later February with volume of trading tending to dry up on the recession.

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B.T.F., Montreal, Que.—CANADA OUNDRIES & FORGINGS had a 945 net profit of \$128,193, comparing with \$123,464 for 1944. Operating profit amounted to \$300,931, compared with \$398,404 in 1944. W. M. Weir. resident, reports there is a substanal balance of unfilled orders on and, and that some previously retricted lines should produce a satisctory rate of operations in 1946.

A.C.W., Ann Arbor, Mich. — Yes, STORIA ROUYN MINES was succeeded in 1938 by Astoria Quebec Mines on the basis of one new for two old shares and these can be exchanged by the Capital Trust Cororation, Toronto or Montreal. The ompany resumed underground development last year to follow up new indications. Extensive diamond drilling has been done and while results of this did not prove altogether conclusive there was talk of the possibility of a mill with capacity of 500 tons. On the basis of the drilling indications, officials are hopeful of proving up a large tonnage of low grade material. Four zones were loated in the drilling campaign.

L.D.S., Calgary, Alta.—Yes, UNIT-ED SECURITIES LTD. had another et loss in the year ended March 31, 1946, amounting to \$31,874, compared vith \$26,283 for the previous year. Balance sheet figures show investnents at \$8,339,966 with a market value of \$3.342,796. This compares with \$8,310,125 with a value of \$2,584,-

187. James Wilson, president, states that no dividend was received during the year on the common shares of the Canadian Light and Power Co. held by the company.

D.K.C., Portage la Prairie, Man .-Assets of RED LAKE CENTRE were acquired by New Red Lake Centre Mines for 1,000,000 shares. I understand the latter still holds the ground but have heard of no recent activity or plans for new work. Your RED LAKE GOLD SHORE shares are exchangeable for Hasaga Gold Mines on the basis of one new for each 18 of Red Lake Gold Shore. The Trusts and Guarantee Company, Toronto, is the transfer agent. A producing lead-zinc property is owned JACK WAITE MINING COM PANY from which it receives 65% of the profits. The outlook here appears to depend on the locating of additional ore. Operating profit in 1944 was \$56,681, but after all deductions a net loss of \$8,132 was shown.

A. G. S., Toronto, Ont. - WILSIL LTD. has reported for 1945 a net profit of \$231,996, or \$1.71 per share against \$207,842 or \$1.53 per share for 1944. This included the refundable tax of 21 cents in 1945 and three cents in 1944. Net working capital was increased from \$1,633,944 to \$1,

B.M.F., Exeter, Ont.—A program of deep diamond drilling was recently commenced at the property of WAL. CORO PORCUPINE MINES, in Godfrey township, at which time it was reported a second drill was being arranged for to expand the work, but so far I have not heard of the results of this exploration. Surface work was done by the former operators and the present work is to test the series of veins uncovered in previous prospecting for values and continuity

Dominion Malting

THE new addition to the plant of Dominion Malting Company Limited, recently brought into producon, comes at a time when the domesic consumption is taxing the capacity of the industry in Canada and should result in increased earnings for the company. This addition is capable of producing 1,150,000 bushels of malt annually and brings the company's otal capacity to 2,500,000 bushels. hort time ago it was announced that anadian Breweries Limited had acuired a majority of the voting shares f Dominion Malting Company so that the company is assured of a large market for its product in the domestic market and when conditions permit export business, which bulked large prior to the war, can be re-

Net profit for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1945, of \$105,094 was equal to \$1.04 per share and compared with \$133,804 and \$1.52 a share for the preceding year. The company maintained maximum production throughout the 1944-1945 fiscal per-lod but entered that year with low stocks of malt on hand and shipments were limited to the amount of malt produced with the result that net profit was lower than in the previous year. Surplus of \$535,193 at July 31, 1945, compares with \$495,245 at July 31, 1944.

The company's net working capital the end of the 1944-1945 fiscal year eflects the capital expenditures in onnection with the addition to the lant. Net working capital at July 1945, of \$712,972 was down from 833,918 at July 31, 1944, but in the ame period gross book value of fixed sets increased from \$646,351 to \$1,-

806, 601. Part of the funds for the capital expenditures were provided through the sale of an issue of \$850,-000 of bonds. Current assets of \$1,-871,457 included cash of \$32,099 and Dominion bonds of \$1,111,537. Current liabilities totalled \$1.158.485.

Funded debt of Dominion Malting Company Limited at July 31, 1945, consisted of \$807,500 of 31/2% and 3%% serial bonds maturing in annual instalments 1946-1965, inclusive. The outstanding capital comprised 8,500 shares of 5% cumulative redeemable sinking fund preferred stock of \$100 par value and 66,800 common shares of no par value. The preferred shares are redeemable 105 and accrued dividend on 30 days notice. Dividends are paid to date on the preferred stock. An initial quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share was paid on the currently outstanding common November 1944 and continued on this basis to date.

Dominion Malting Company Limited was incorporated in 1927 with a Dominion Charter. The plant is located at Transconia, Manitoba, and includes storage and elevator facilit-

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Year Ended July 31-	1945	1944
Net Profit		\$133,804
Surplus	535,193	495,245
Current Assets	1,871,457	929,491
Current Liabilities	1,158,485	95,573
Net Working Capital	712,972	833,918

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In the case of share warrants to bearer the above dividend is represented by coupon No. 77, and the Canadian Custodian has instructed the Company that in order to claim their dividends, holders of share warrants must forward their coupons through their respective bankers to the Company at its office, 25 King Street West, Toronto, Canada, or to the English Agents of the Company, Canadian & General Finance Company, Limited, 74, The Drive, Hove, Sussex, England, at the same time complying with whichever of the following requirements is applicable:—

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Sussex, England, at the same time complying with whichever of the following requirements is applicable:—

1. In cases where the coupons are in the United Kingdom and were imported into the United Kingdom on or before the 1st February 1945, or since their issue in the United Kingdom have remained there, such coupons must be accompanied by a certificate to that effect signed by an official of or a signatory for any bank or banking house in the United Kingdom or a member or member firm of the London Stock Exchange and must be signed by or on behalf of the person for whose account the coupons are being presented.

2. In cases where the coupons were not in the United Kingdom on or before the 1st February 1945 and are being presented on behalf of persons other than residents in Continental Europe or are being presented on behalf of residents of neutral countries in Continental Europe such coupons must be accompanied by Canadian Custodian Form G (copies of which can be obtained from any bank in Canada and from the English Agents of the Company above referred to and the Canadian Custodian's consent must be obtained.

On compliance with whichever of the above requirements is applicable, a cheque in Canadian currency will be forwarded as speedily as circumstances permit to the presenting bank on behalf of the person for whose account the coupons are being presented for payment, against cancellation thereof, subject to the deduction where applicable, of the Canadian Non-resident Income Tax.

In all cases other than the above the Canadian Custodian has instructed the Company that payment meantime must be withheld but it is hoped that arrangements will presently be concluded whereby an announcement can soon be published by the Company concerning the procedure to be followed by residents of Belgium and France for payment of coupon No. 77 as well as previous coupons outstanding and unpaid.

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as well as previous coupons outstanding unpaid.

There are many outstanding share warrants in respect of which all issued coupons have matured and holders thereof will therefore have to obtain new sheets of coupons to be affixed to their warrants. It is hoped that the Company will soon be able to publish an announcement detailing the procedure to be followed.

Dated at Toronto, Canada, the 23rd day of April 1946. By Order of the Board,

D. H. CROMAR, Secretary

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ABOUT INSURANCE

Increase in Motor Accidents Pose Social and Business Problems

By GEORGE GILBERT

Despite the existence of traffic laws and financial responsibility laws, there has been no noticeable reduction in the number or severity of automobile accidents. Nor have such laws ensured satisfactory compensation in the case of many of the innocent victims of these accidents.

Consequently, the whole question of automobile accidentshow to control or eliminate the small percentage of motorists who cause virtually all the accidents, and how to provide proper compensation for the victims -has become a social as well as a business problem of prime importance.

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 $O_{\,\,\mathrm{by}}^{\mathrm{NE}}$ of the facts often overlooked by the purchasers of automobile insurance is that the amount of the losses paid in the settlement of claims under automobile policies measures the amount which, in addition to an amount for expenses and a profit, if possible, on the transaction, must be collected in the way of premiums, if the organizations engaged in the business of insuring motorists are to remain solvent and continue in existence.

Accordingly, when losses increase the rates for automobile insurance are increased, and increases in rates have a decided tendency to discourage the purchase of insurance. Thus the insurance business has an economical as well as a humanitarian interest in the promotion of greater safety on our streets and highways and in the reduction of the number and severity of motor accidents.

It is well recognized by those charged with the administration of safety regulations and traffic laws that, where the human element is involved, it is not possible to devise any system of regulation which will effect absolute control. Since the main cause of traffic accidents is the human element—the person at the wheel—the difficulty of finding a wholly satisfactory solution of the traffic accident problem is ap-

Present Laws Ineffective

It is also true that the enactment of financial responsibility laws or compulsory insurance laws has not brought about a sufficient decrease in the number and severity of these traffic accidents, nor has it resulted in satisfactory compensation in the case of many innocent victims of such accidents. In the opinion of some competent observers, the problem of automobile accidents has become a social one and must be dealt with as such.

It may be recalled that some time ago a committee liberally financed by the Rockefeller Foundation completed a two-year investigation of a proposed automobile accident compensation plan. It employed a large number of investigators, statisticians, actuaries and an insurance adviser, and the general principles of the compensation plan developed as a result of their labors set aside liability for compensation based on fault or negligence, and proposed that the losses caused by automobile accidents be shifted to the whole body of motorists as a class or to all taxpayers.

There is a good deal of support for the view that the time has come for serious consideration of the principle that the economic burden imposed by automobile accidents must be borne by society in general. The opinion has been frequently expressed that it has become the duty of society to care for these casualties which, in a broad sense, are mainly caused by the conditions of modern life from which society has offered no release. These accidents not only involve motorists and pedestrians but affect the whole

Medical-Hospital Care

It is suggested that if fault mus be involved before there is any liability for compensation, provision should at least be made for medical and hospital relief in advance of proof of such liability, leaving the questions of permanent disability and damages, etc., for decision according to the present doctrine of liability based on fault or negligence.

One of the plans suggested to ensure payment of medical and hospital expenses of motor accident victims was to require establishment of financial responsibility, separate and distinct from insurance, by means of what was called a Driver's License Bond. Every applicant for a driver's license would be required to file a bond, guaranteeing the payment of

medical and hospital expenses only, to a limit prescribed by law.

It is claimed that this plan would not interfere with the present system of voluntary insurance, but that, on the contrary, would probably stimulate its sale, as the bonding company could accept an insurance policy as a guarantee or as collateral under the bond. It would not prevent drivers who could not obtain insurance from getting a bond if they had collateral to post with the bond-

ing company.
Of course this plan would prevent those persons from getting a license who could not furnish a bond, either through inability to furnish collateral or inability to obtain insurance on account of a poor driving record or poor reputation.

Although any reasonable plan for the solution of our serious motor accident problem by requiring all applicants for a driver's license to furnish a bond of this kind is deserving of careful consideration, there are difficulties in the way of securing the support of the motoring public for it, as it is a compulsory measure, applicable to all drivers, good, bad and indifferent. These motorists form a powerful section of the community, and a campaign of education would likely be necessary in order to gain their support.

Faulty Habits Ingrained

In the meantime there is room and need for more education in safe driving on the part of three-quarters of present day motorists. For the most part, drivers are normal, intelligent people, but their faulty driving habits are so ingrained that there is little hope of much improvement without more drastic enforcement of traffic laws and more adequate testing techniques before the issuance of a driver's license.

Evidently many motorists are motivated in the observance of traffic laws principally by the fear of getting caught and the consequent penalty. There is little inherent respect for these laws, and the observance of them is usually not seriously considered from the standpoint of their main purpose, which is to protect the motorist himself as well as the public.

It is not always realized that drivers differ radically in the skill with which they drive or can be taught to drive a motor vehicle, and in their resultant susceptibility to accident. While estimates as to the actual percentage of accident-prone drivers, it is agreed that most of the mishaps result from the faults of a few drivers. One estimate is that fifteen per cent of the drivers cause nearly one hundred per cent of the accidents.

How to eliminate this small per-centage of motorists who cause virtually all of the accidents is the prob-

Modern testing techniques, while not perfect, can be utilized to determine the accident-prone, with sufficient accuracy to warrant their use by insurance companies in fixing rates, by licensing authorities in ascertaining who should be permitted to operate an automobile, and by police departments in determining when a motorist is in fit condition to

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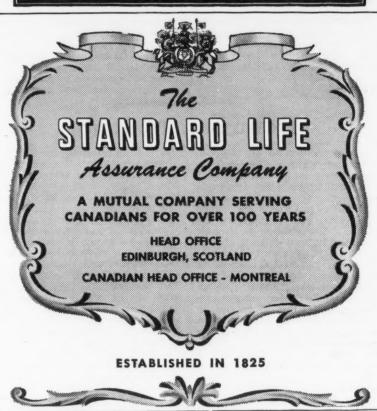
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News of the Mines

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the year were roughly equivalent to hose of 1944. The tonnage treated was 7,482 tons less, the recovered grade averaged 13 cents per ton higher, and the operating cost per on milled was 10 cents higher. Net profit per share was 8.75 cents as gainst 7.27 cents in the previous year. The policy adopted during the var of strengthening the cash posiion of the company was continued nd the working capital increased uring the year from \$684,365 to 833,690, supplies excluded and ecurities taken at cost.

An increase in net current assets of \$122,847 is reported by Broulan Porcupine Mines for 1945 and the nnual report also shows a continua-tion during the year of the program of exploration of outside properties in its search for a new mine. A derease was shown in net profits, tonnage milled, average grade and ore reserves. Net profit of 1.46 cents per share compared with 3.98 cents in the previous year. Tonnage milled was down from 100,481 in 1944 to 89,392 tons, and the average per ton was \$7.31 against \$7.66. Ore reserves at the end of the year were estimated at 245,000 tons, having an estimated at 245,000 tons, having an average grade of \$6.93, as compared with 345,000 a year previous. Net working capital is \$815,674, taking Investments at cost of \$378,336, while market value on December 31 was \$914,558. During the year 17 claims were staked in Garrison and Michael towards and the sample of the sample o Michaud townships on the assumed extension of the Porcupine break and 18 claims in the Horwood Lake area. The report contains a brief review of the outside companies and properties in which it is interested nd these include Bonetal Gold Mines, Porcupine Reef Gold Mines, Goldhawk Porcupine Mines, and Ronnoco Gold Mines. Over 4,000 acres is held in Stock township and additional ground is under option.

Obalski (1945) Limited plans to extend its present operations now that the Province of Quebec intends to build a motor road to the Chibougamau area. An extensive dia-mond drilling program is to be carried out on the Cache Bay properties with a view to extending indi-cated ore bodies. This will be followed by further development including diamond drilling on the Portage Island group. Plans for the levelopment of the Portage Island, a 2,000 acre mining concession, have been held in abeyance awaiting assurance of cheap transportation. This sland holds the original gold discovery of the Chilbougamau area.

Activities of Gunnar Gold Mines have been retarded during the war years by Government restrictions and shortages of labor, states G. A. LaBine, president, in the annual re-port for 1945. However, now that these restrictions have been removed and labor conditions are improving, t is the intention to seriously investigate the various properties the company is interested in, with a view to resuming active mining operations. A strong liquid position is shown by the balance sheet. Marketable securities shown on the books at cost, \$573,680, have a quoted books at rost, \$573,680, have a quoted market value of \$654,669, an increase in value during the year of \$80,989. Other investments at cost total

\$125,580. Included in the company's assest are \$400,000 Dominion of Canada Victory Bonds. Options were taken on properties in Guibord and Hislop townships, adjoining the Ross Mine (Hollinger controlled). Some interesting conditions were disclosed by drilling on the Byberg claims in Guibord township and work is to be resumed this spring. Approximately 47% of issued shares of Ogama-Rockland Gold Mines are held by

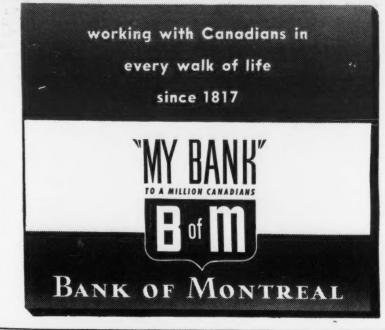
A surface diamond drilling campaign is planned for the current year by Bonetal Gold Mines in order to explore large areas of the property which have not yet been adequately explored, particularly on the most westerly claims, including the Drew claim, to which title was recently acquired, which is of particular in-terest in view of favorable results reported by adjoining properties. The drive from the adjoining Hallnor 2,160-foot level was extended 823 feet westerly last year and 613 feet of this total was in Bonetal ground. Diamond drill stations were cut at intervals along the drift to allow for drilling in all directions. A net profit before deduction of depreciation and deferred development of \$43,426 was shown. In order to provide funds for the exploration of the property from the Hallnor workings 300,000 treasury shares were sold at 15 cents per share, which necessi-tated increasing the authorized capitalization from 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 shares. During the year 25,828 tons were treated and production totalled

Mining plant, equipment and all supplies required for underground development of Colomac Yellowknife Mines, in the Indian Lake area,

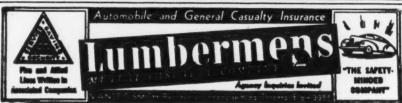
reached the property by tractor train on April 20 and an experienced mining crew was expected a few days later. Preparatory work for commencement of tunnels will start immediately and it is expected drifting will be underway by the end of May. The underground program will be prosecuted simultaneously on the Colomac and Indian Lake Gold

McWatters Gold Mines was active in 1945 in seeking to acquire new mining properties. The company's holdings in the Opawika area, in the Abitibi district of Quebec, were increased from 35 to 100 claims by purchase and staking. Interesting gold values were obtained on this ground and it is planned to further explore their possibilities during the coming season. During the year the mining and milling plant and buildings connected the work of the season. ings connected therewith, together with mining equipment and supplies were sold for \$100,000 cash. The original property in Rouyn township, however, is still retained. Current assets amount to \$409,775 against current liabilities of \$3,621. Marketable securities are shown at cost of \$279,401, while market value at the end of the year was \$297,942.

In the opinion of Dr. W. F. James and Dr. O. L. Backman, consulting geologists, drilling results at the Porcupine Reef Gold Mines property, have given sufficient indications of commercial ore to justify the sinking of a shaft and the development of the property underground. As a consequence the directors have authorized the sinking of a three-compartment shaft to a depth of possibly 1,000 feet and the development of the indicated ore zone on (Continued on Page 44)







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4% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares (Par Value \$50.00 per share)

Transfer Agent:

Registrar:

Chartered Trust and Executor Company, Toronto

The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto

Capitalization

(After issue of Supplementary Letters Patent and completion of present financing)

Issued

4% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares (par value \$50.00 per share) . 15,000

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In the opinion of counsel these Preferred Shares will be investments in which The Canadian and British Insurance Companies, Act, 1932, as amended, states that companies registered under it may invest their funds.

We, as principals, offer these Shares, if, as and when issued and accepted by us, subject to prior sale and to the approval of all legal details by our counsel, L. A. Landriau, K.C., Toronto, and by the Company's counsel, Messrs. Robertson, Fleury and Lane, Toronto.

Price: \$50.00 per share

The proceeds from this issue will be used to the extent necessary to redeem 6,000 shares of presently outstanding \$50.00 par value 5% Preference Stock, and for other corporate purposes.

The Company has agreed to make application to list these 4% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange. A Prospectus, copy of which has been filed under the provisions of The Companies Act, 1934, as amended, will be promptly furnished on request.

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(Continued from Page 43) four or five levels. The work will be directed by the Broulan Porcupine organization, and costs are expected to be lower than if conducted as an independent operation. Net current independent operation. Net current assets of the company as of December 31, 1945, amounted to \$83,882. Broulan Porcupine Mines holds options on 1,300,000 treasury shares which if fully exercised will make available a further \$440,000. This amount, C. C. Richardson, president, states in the annual report, plus the present current assets should be well in excess of the amount required to equip, sink the shaft and develop the

property to the production stage. **Company Reports**

New York Life

PAYMENTS to policyholders and beneficiaries by the New York Life Insurance Company in 1945 totalled \$192,672,219, as compared with \$182,029,816 in the previous year. Life insurance in force at the end of 1945 amounted to \$7,979,193,102, under 3,401,178 policies, as compared with \$7,644,703,430, under 3,292,584 policies ies, at the end of 1944. Sales of new life insurance in 1945 totalled \$564,-180,100, exceeding the amount of the 1944 sales by \$38,380,300. Assets at the end of 1945, held for the protection of the company's life insurance and annuity contracts, amounted to \$3,813,504,094, showing an increase for the year of \$242,765,154. The

NORANDA MINES, LIMITED

DIVIDEND NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an interim dividend of One Dollar (\$1.00) per share, payable in Canadian funds, has been declared by the Directors of NORANDA MINES, LIMITED, payable June 15th, 1946, to shareholders of record at the close of business May 15th, 1946. By Order of the Board.

J. R. BRADFIELD.

Toronto, April 26th, 1946.

CANADIAN BREWERIES LIMITED

DIVIDEND NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of thirty-one and one quarter cents (31½c) per share has been declared on the outstanding Capital Stock of this Company, payable July 1st, 1946, to shareholders of record at the close of business May 31st, 1946. By Order of the Board,

W. C. BUTLER,

Toronto, April 24th, 1946.

surplus over policy, annuity and other reserves and all liabilities at the end of 1945 amounted to \$231,013,622, as compared with \$230,857,322 at the close of the previous year. Almost three-quarters of its reserves for insurance and annuity contracts were computed at 2% per cent or lower interest. Its interest rate assumption for new policies is 2½ per cent. In Canada the company has been doing business since 1868, and its insurance in force in this country at the end of 1945 totalled \$125,332,350, under 56,963 policies. Its investments in Canada totalled \$119,416,336, of which \$84,902,124 consisted of Dominion of Canada government bonds, \$24,226,876 of provincial, municipal and public utility bonds, and the remainder represented first mortgages on real estate, policy loans and other

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DURING 1945 the Independent Order of Foresters increased its assets by \$1,030,849 to \$47,613,176. It increased its surplus over reserves and all liabilities from \$3,255,319 to \$3,586,136. It increased its membership by 5,144, as compared with an increase of 1,266 in 1944. It paid to members and beneficiaries \$3,213,440, as compared with \$3,144,191 in the previous year; and, besides these payments, it distributed in fraternal grants \$64,790, as compared with \$63,324 in 1944. Its total income in 1945 was \$5,793,920, as compared with \$5,076,007 in 1944. It increased its special reserves from \$2,150,000 to \$2,900,000, and increased its insurance in force from \$102,622,467 to \$108,-282,388, showing a gain of \$5,659,921.

Occidental Life

EEPING up its record rate of pro-KEEPING up its record rate of progress, the Occidental Life Insurance Company of California, with Canadian head office at London, Ont., experienced in 1945 the largest growth in assets and surplus in its history and also sold the largest amount of new paid-for ordinary life insurance. Sales last year of ordinary life insurance amounted to \$132,416,952, and the life insurance in force at the end of 1945 totalled \$1,030,287,987, as compared with \$1,-013,019,649 at the close of the previous year. Total assets at the end of 1945 amounted to \$147,732,948, as compared with \$122,624,617 at the end of 1944. Net unassigned surplus over capital, policy reserves, contingent reserves for investment fluctuations, assigned surplus, and all liabilities amounted to \$7,176,334 at the end of 1945, as compared with \$5,175,715 at the end of 1944, showing a gain for the year of \$2,000,618.

STUDY No. 8

CANADIAN BREWERIES

LIMITED

Revised to date and its subsidiary

BREWING CORPORATION OF AMERICA

A copy of this circular may be obtained on request

PREVIOUS STUDIES STILL AVAILABLE

No. 1-Minnesota & Ontario Paper, Dec. 15, 1943

No. 2—Canadian Breweries Ltd., Feb. 14, 1944 No. 3—Dominion Tar & Chemical Co., May 15, 1944

No 4-British Columbia Packers Ltd., June 14, 1944

No. 5-Canadian Breweries Ltd., Nov. 22, 1944 (Revised) No. 6-Standard Chemical Co., July 30, 1945

No. 7-Howard Smith Paper Mills, Dec. 21, 1945

FAIRBANKS, KIRBY & CO.

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MEMBERS MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Royal Bank Building - 360 St. James St. W. Montreal

MONTREAL TRAMWAYS COMPANY

Annual Report for Year Ended 31st December, 1945

Report of the President and Directors

For the Year Ended 31st December, 1945 TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:

Your Directors herewith submit their Annual Report for the year 1945.

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Autobus
Operating Expenses and Maintenance \$ 3,666,413.23
Depreciation 510,196.61

\$4,525,275.23 Net Operating Revenue 172,525.95

\$ 4,697,801.18
 eductions:
 \$ 2.091.076.43

 Interest on Bonds
 100.552.01

 Exchange
 100.552.01

 Amortization of Bond Discount and Expenses
 10.942.00

Provision for Income and Excess Profits Taxes..... Net Income transferred to Surplus \$ 1,351,733.31 Surplus as at 31st December, 1945

 Balance at beginning of period
 \$ 1,987,742.53

 Net Income as per Front and Loss Statement
 1,351,733.31

 Transferred from Contingent Reserve
 9,000.00
 \$ 3,348,475.84
 educt:
 \$ 1,000,000.00

 Transferred to Depreciation Reserve
 \$ 1,000,000.00

 Reserve for Financing
 182,947.73

 Premium paid on Bonds purchased for Sinking Fund
 62,878.75

 Reduction in value of properties
 2,020.00

 1,247,846.48

Balance at end of period \$ 2,100,629.36 The following Table sets forth the number of revenue passengers for the year 1945, and the number of miles operated by the vehicles of the Company during 1945, as companyed to 1944.

The number of revenue passengers for 1945 was as follows:—

Tramways Autobus Bus Revenue Passengers, 1945 309,785,950 72,877,391 2,911,700 385,575,041 Revenue Passengers, 1944 292,126,858 65,796,022 3,120,061 361,042,941 Increase per centum 6.05% 10.76% 6.68% Increase 1,039,827 1,257,792 * 14,532 2,283,087 Increase per centum 3.04% 11.41% * 4.71%

As the Table indicates, the number of revenue passengers during the cexceded that of the year 1944 by 24,532,100. This is an all-time record is an increase of 84.55% over 1939.

Taxes, Snow Removal and City Rental

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Included in the Operating Costs for the year are the following:
City of Montreal:
Snow Kemoval, Taxes and Annual Rental
Cher Municipalities:
Taxes and Taxes
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Income Tax, Gasoline Tax, etc.
Taxes, Gasoline, etc.

\$ 3,148,192.43

The Company from 1918 to December 31st, 1945, has paid the following counts to tine City of Montreal:

On account of Snow Removal
On account of Annual Rental
On account of Taxes

In addition, the Company has expended for Maintenance of Street Pavement

4.420.832.04

Income Tax:

In the Annual Reports for 1943 and 1944, reference was made to proceedings pending in the Department of Income Tax relating to an amount of \$1,000,000.00 which the Montreal Tramways Commission had ordered the Company to pay to the City of Montreal on account of Arrears of City Rentals. This Order was made conditional upon such payment being allowed by the Commissioner of Income Tax as a deductible expense of the Company for income tax purposes in the year 1942. The Company also claimed a definite rate of depreciation for track installations instead of the amounts actually expended for replacements in 1942. It was urged that adequate track replacements and renewals could not be made during the war period because of serious shortages in materials and manpower and that a fixed rate for depreciation was reasonable and proper and had in fact been applied in former years to various items of Company property other than track installations. The Commissioner of Income Tax disallowed both of the claims above mentioned and on an Appeal to the Minister the Commissioner's decision was sustained. A further Appeal has been taken to the Exchequer Court of Canada.

Labour Relations:

"On June 7th, 1945, the Company signed a Labour Agreement with the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees and Other Transport Workers covering wages and working conditions. This agreement remains in force until May 31st, 1946.

Rolling Stock:

The Company regrets that it has been impossible to make addition to Rolling Stock in the year 1945. Up to the end of the War, the disposition of all cars and buses was under the control of the Federal Transit Controller, who allotted the total number of vehicles available to the various transportation companies. Your Company purchased all the vehicles allotted to it and confidently expected to obtain 40 new buses in November, 1945. Unfortunately, these proved to be unobtainable. The Company had, therefore, extreme difficulty in maintaining its services and desires to place on record its appreciation of the tolerance shown by passengers during the difficult years of the War and of the present post-war period.

Track, Construction and Renewals: Track Renewal: 3.58 miles of single track, the principal items of which were as follows:

Intersection Renewals: Six-curve intersection at Bernard Ave. and Park. Partial replacements of special trackwork at St. Catherine and St. Lawrence. Same at Mount Royal and Park; St. Catherine and University. New cross-over at Remembrance Road and Cote des Neiges.

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Asphalt Renewal in Track Space: 22,826 square yards of asphalt surface were renewed during the year and 10,250 square yards of oil-bound macadam surface were remetalled on Monkland Boulevard in the Town of St. Laurent. Electric Switches: Four new electric switches were added during the year, bringing the total up to 72.

Buildings:

A new pre-payment Station was established at Aylmer Loop platform, north of St. Catherine Street, with additional waiting-room, ticket-collecting booths, gates and turnstiles. This has resulted in a marked improvement in the dispatching of cars to Ontario Street and Park Avenue north.

A new power plant is being installed at St. Denis Car Barn with steam connections under-ground to all of the Company's buildings in that vicinity to replace two obsolete and worn-out boiler plants.

R. N. WATT, President GEORGE H. MONTGOMERY, K.C., Vice-President Officers:

D. E. BLAIR, Vice-President and General Manager SEVERE GODIN C. E. GRAVEL BEAUDRY LEMAN Directors: GEORGE H. MONTGOMERY, K.C.

Power Department:

A two-way F. M. Radio Communication System was inaugurated during the year. The central transmission unit installed at Cote Street provides constant communication with all emergency and electric construction required to determine the company. Fifteen of these mobile unit have the equipped to date and have produced very satisfactory results in operation. Time lost due to accidents, obstruction of tracks, broken trolley wires and fires, has been materially reduced.

Additional underground and overhead feeders were installed to relieve the rapidly increasing load in the Rosemount area.

Your Directors desire to recognize the loyal and efficient service of all the Officers and employees of the Company throughout the year, and to welcome back all employees who have served in the armed forces.

Submitted on behalf of the Board of Directors.

R. N. WATT, President

General Balance Sheet

As at December 31st, 1945

ASSETS

Marketable Securities, at cost (Market Value \$1.766, 710.00)
Accounts Receivable 1,706,807.50
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Inventories of track and overhead materials, Street Car and Autobus repair parts and supplies Car, at cost (as getermined and certified to by Officials of the Company)
Due by Employees on Victory Loan Subscriptions 1,048,385.17
743.923.17 Accrued Interest Receivable

Current Assets:
Casn and Demand Deposits ... \$2,929,965.29
Call Loans ... 3,725,000.00

3,950,000.00 5,928,421.84 10,866,020.09 43,839,011.91

Deferred Charges:
Prepaid Taxes
Uniforms—amount applicable 1946 operations.
Prepaid Insurance, Rents, etc.
Unamortized Bond Discount and Expenses 207,546.42

196,821.20 \$60,407,483.4

1,250,000.00 \$ 2,580,982.45 LIABILITIES, CAPITAL STOCK AND SURPLUS

Accounts Fayable Wages 1,385,269.54

Provision for Income and Excess Profits Taxes less amounts paid on account 2,173,483.80

Other Taxes 33,505,44

Bond Interest 322,962.88

Provision for Claims for Injuries and Damages 500,000.00

Montreal Tramways Mutual Benefit Association 429,913.55

City of Montreal Rental 52,000.00

Employees' Security Deposits 36,937.86

Funded Debt:
First and Refunding Mortgage 5% Gold Bonds
due July 1, 1951 (Payable at holder's option
in Canadian or U.S. currency or in sterling) \$16,200,000.00
General Mortgage Sinking Fund Bonds due
April 1, 1955.
Serice "A" (Payable at holder's option in
Canadian or U.S. currency or in sterling)
5%....\$2,545,400.00
4½% 264,400.00

\$2.809,800.00

\$ 2,809,800.00 Series "B" (Payable in Canadian currency)
5% \$21,074,100.00
4½% 1,834,100.00

\$22,908,200.00

\$ 329,400.00 26,047,400.00 42,247,400.00

Reserves (For Company's Account)
Reserve for Financing
Reserve for Redemption of Unpresented Tickets
Reserve for Exchange on U.S. Dollars

246,588.53

\$2,111,781.62

500,000.00

290,000.00 Capital Stock: 70.000 shares of \$100.00 par value 7,000,000.00

Signed on behalf of the Directors: S. GODWIN

S. GODWIN HOWARD MURRAY Directors. Certified Correct: A. A. BOIRE, Chief Accountant

Verified in accordance with our Report of this date SHARP, MILNE & CO., C.A. Auditors. Montreal, March 11th, 1946.

SHARP, MILNE & CO.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS Montreal, March 11th, 1946. Montreal Tramways Company, Montreal, Quebec.

Montreal, Quebec.

We have examined the balance sheet of Montreal Tramways Company as of December 31st, 1945, and the related statements of profit and loss and surplus for the year 1945, have reviewed the system of internal control and the accounting procedures of the Company, and, without making a detailed audit of the transactions, have examined or tested accounting records of the Company and other supporting evidence, by methods and to the extent we deemed appropriate. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards applicable in the circumstances and included all procedures which we considered necessary.

Year that it was charged in Operating Expenses of the Company in the Year that the standards are considered to a standard and exceed the company's appeal fail, and similar charges is disallowed for the years 1943, 1944 and 1945, then the Reserve for Income and Excess Profits Taxes as shown on the Balance Sheet will be insufficient for the purpose.

and excess Profits taxes as shown on the assessment states of the purpose. For the purpose, or the purpose, and suppose to the foregoing, in our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet, with notes appended thereto, and related statements of profit and loss and surplus present fairly the position of Montreal Tramways Company ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

(signed) SHARP, MILNE & CO., C.A.,

A. DUPERRON, Assistant General Manager

T. D. ROBERTSON, Secretary-Treasure

HOWARD MURRAY, O.B.E GORDON W. MacDOUGALL, K.C. W. TAYLOR-BAILEY R. N. WATT

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